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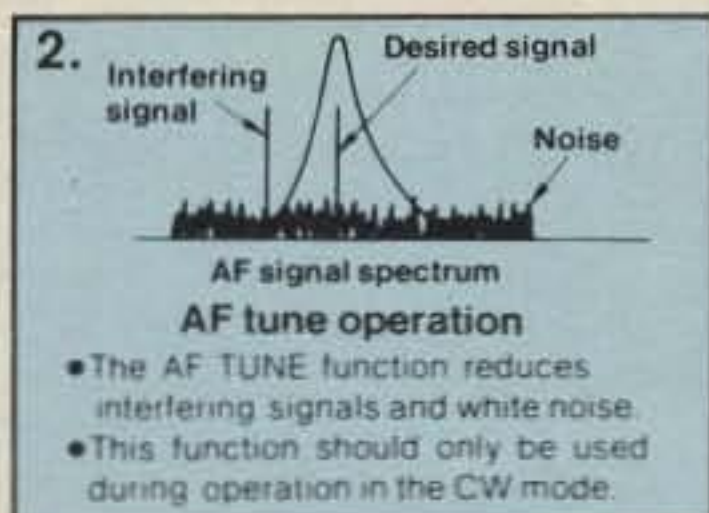
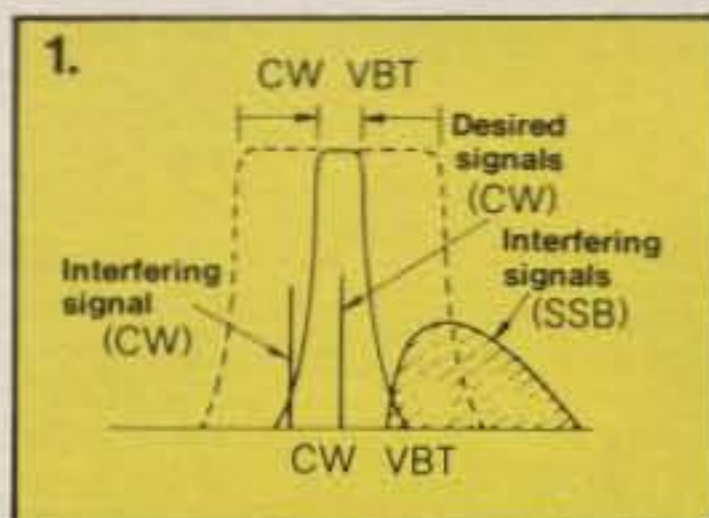
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- VS-1 voice synthesizer
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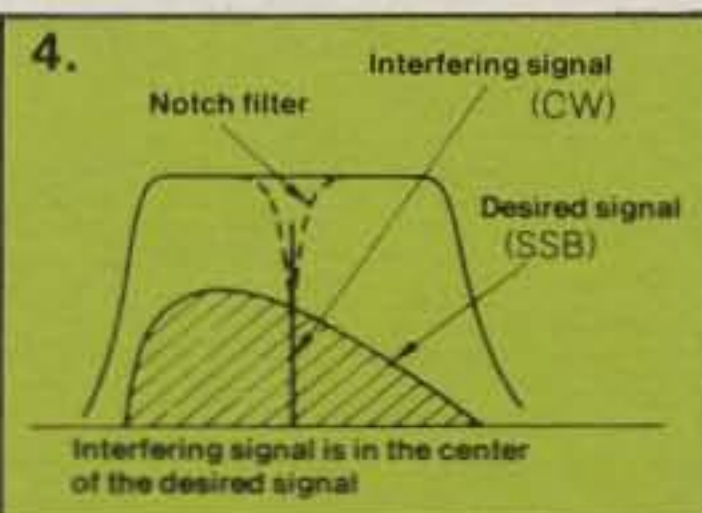
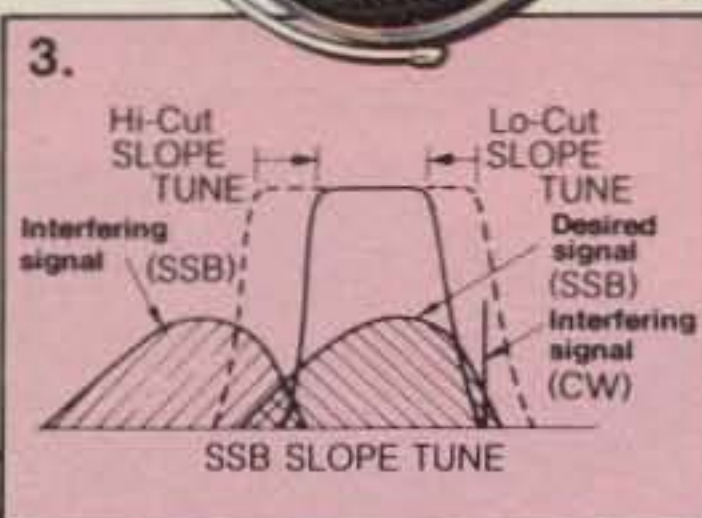
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Zero Bias

AN EDITORIAL

One line in a classic bawdy joke is "I'm from the government and I'm here to help you." In early August the government "helped us" to obtain 3 MHz in the 220 MHz band. It may be incidental that we already had them and were using them, but now indeed we do, by government decree, own them. Of course, the price for this edict was the bottom 2 MHz of the band. Perhaps we should just consider the 2 MHz as a consulting fee or a brokerage commission. The government sees the 2 MHz as a mere 2 percent of the amateur radio spectrum, while others see it as up to 15 percent of the spectrum. Whatever the actual percentage is really makes no difference, as a loss is still a loss. If you don't operate on 220 or never considered getting on 220 then much of the hullabaloo is probably meaningless to you. If you feel that it doesn't concern you or that it's someone else's problem, then you're wrong.

The amateurs who will have to vacate the bottom 2 MHz of 220 along with control and auxiliary stations are in some miniscule way analogous with American Indians or Japanese-Americans being relocated for some "common good." "Common good" is a political term which usually means that some group stands to make a lot of money under the guise of improving something—i.e., quality of life, security, or even technology. The medium is money and money is power. The amateur radio spectrum is a commodity—a fixed amount of something which has value by virtue of the fact there is no more. It is similar to real estate. There is a fixed amount of land available, and the land that more people want costs more than the land that fewer people want. Don't get me wrong. This is not a giant nefarious plot to take over amateur radio or to eliminate it. It is simply a fact of life that we are "sitting" on a valuable chunk of real estate that is becoming more and more attractive to developers. So if you see amateur radio only in terms of how you as an individual are affected and not in terms of how your whole neighborhood (i.e., 220) is affected, then it becomes simply a matter of chopping away a piece at a time.

Politics is not a dirty word, and politicians and bureaucrats are not necessarily evil people. It just happens that most of them don't have to live under the decisions they make in the name of "common good." So we lose 2 MHz this time and perhaps that's all it will be for the near future. But it can happen again on another

band. To quote Larry Price, President of the ARRL, "We've lost a battle, but not the war."

I don't know about winning the war as a long-term objective, or if in effect the war is already over. Certainly there are a few more ceremonies to go through before everything is concluded. I'm still smiling over the logic that less is more. We now have 3 MHz instead of 5, and the 3 is firm, at least for the moment. Well, is there any lesson to be learned or benefit to be derived from this? Certainly. We learned about the power of the government and the power of UPS versus the power we thought we had. What about any benefits? Well, not very many at the moment, especially for those who have to pack and move to the "reservation" above 223. What about the future? Well, here lies the only backhanded edge that may filter down to us some day.

When we lost 11 meters years ago, some 40 million Americans became Southern truck drivers and took to the airways. Obviously, there wasn't enough gear for them all at the beginning, and in short order the big, tube-filled rigs were replaced by those small, neat solid-state rigs that eventually found their way into the amateur marketplace. Almost all of what we use today is the result of the technological changes brought about by the demand of the CB market. Let's face it: 40 million is a lot bigger than 400,000.

So, one would like to imagine that in this instance history will at least repeat itself. It is obvious that UPS will have to spend considerable money to develop a first-generation technology to satisfy their needs. We also know that in short order the next generations of technology will follow, making the first obsolete, at least for that market. Amateurs, as usual, will start picking up on that used market, and with some luck a new generation of amateur equipment will have emerged. In this way there may be some "common good" that will filter down to us without beating us on the head. Is it rationalizing? Yes, but it did happen the last time. Those of you willing to trade your exotic multi-band, multi-controlled, multi-everything miniature transceiver back for a 6L6GT and 11 meters, please stand and say "Aye."

While the above may not be a great answer or even a suitable rationalization for what happened, the fact is that it did happen, and somewhere down the line there is the possibility that we might benefit from the loss. For the ever-present few

who continue to cry that everything involving change in amateur radio is a plot to make money off of the amateur's back and that it should all be free or as close to free as possible, perhaps you should switch your allegiance to Parcel Post. Then again, Parcel Post is part of the same government that supports the FCC, so you're back where you started from—the great UPS, US Government conspiracy. Perhaps we could form a lobby to force the FCC to insist that all UPS drivers learn CW.

The world didn't end when we lost 11 meters or when we lost 5 meters, and what about the days of 200 meters, which are also gone? Somehow we'll survive the loss of those 2 MHz whether or not we derive any actual benefits. The government's 2 percent solution reminds me of the book about Sherlock Holmes also called the 2 percent solution. It was about the famous fictional detective, and the 2 percent referred to an addiction to a narcotic. You can rationalize almost anything if it's only 2 percent.

So if we go back to the bawdy joke I mentioned in the beginning, you can see why most people laugh at the statement "I'm from the government and I'm here to help you." To most people that is a signal to hide your valuables and attempt to protect yourself from something. We were "helped" to 3 MHz, and now we're just going to have to sit back and wait to see if the rabbit dies.

Contest Fever

It's contest time once again, and the BIG ONE is coming up. I hope you have enough log and summary sheets and that you took the time to study the rules. The CQ WW DX Contest season is here and just waiting for you. So check out last year's scores and the All-Time Records for the marks you have to beat. The rest of us can use this period to help out our country totals and pick up some rare ones that only show up for this event. It's also a good way to fill in those missing blanks while working for those achievement awards.

Everyone is a big gun in a contest, as everyone's call counts towards the final score. Try it out. You may be surprised to learn just how competitive you really are, and those rare ones will come back to you. Lest we forget, it's okay to have fun with amateur radio. Trust me.

73, Alan, K2EEK

**6 Meter Version
NOW Available**

Handheld DX with the DX Handy™

The idea of handheld DX seems far-fetched, but it's actually very simple. The DX Handy is a battery powered (six penlight AA drycells included) SSB/CW transceiver with two watts output. DX Handy can also use nicad rechargeable batteries, or be powered with 9 VDC.

Two variable crystal oscillators (VXOs), each with 50 KHz range, can be selected with a top panel switch. Crystals for 28.250 to 28.300 and 28.300 to 28.350 Mhz are included, and other crystal ranges for the 10 meter band are also available at a nominal cost.

CW operation can be by either the built-in push button or with an external key or keyer. External speaker and microphone jacks are also provided, and the telescoping antenna is included. The DX Handy also has a top panel S-meter/ output power meter and an effective noise blanker circuit. DX Handy is housed in an attractive gray metal case comparing in size to popular VHF FM handhelds.

Ten meters is coming back strong. With DX Handy all amateurs, novice to extra class, can enjoy the thrill of working handheld DX.

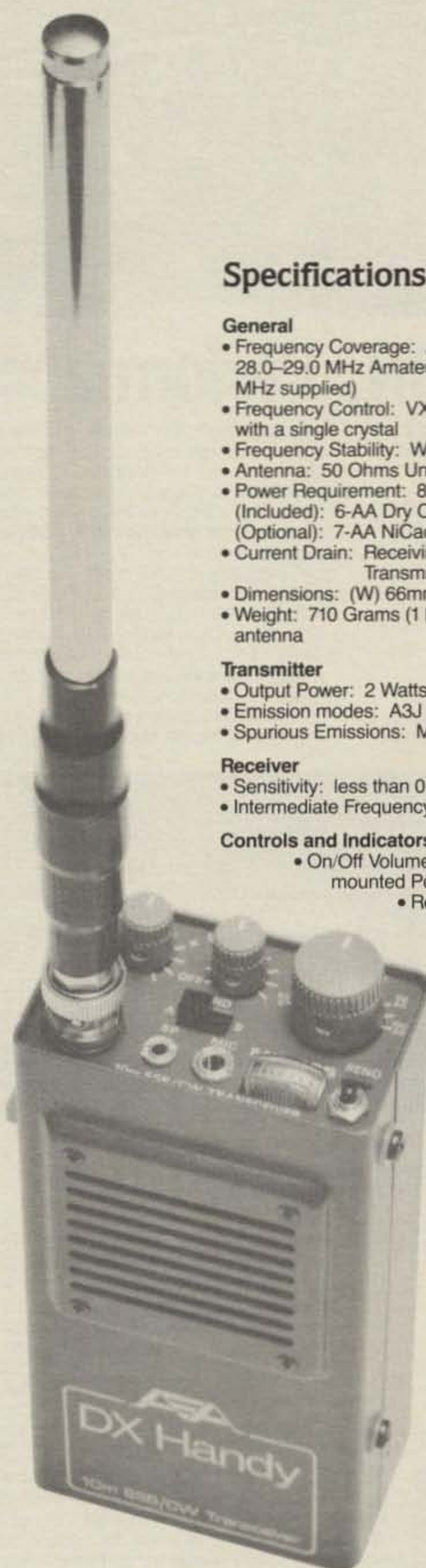
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- Frequency Coverage: Any two 50 KHz segments in the 28.0–29.0 MHz Amateur Band (28.25–28.30 and 28.30–28.35 MHz supplied)
- Frequency Control: VXO provides 50 KHz of continuous tuning with a single crystal
- Frequency Stability: Within ± 500 Hz from a cold start
- Antenna: 50 Ohms Unbalanced, BNC connector
- Power Requirement: 8.4–9.0 VDC
(Included): 6-AA Dry Cells (1.5 volt/cell) = 9.0 VDC
(Optional): 7-AA NiCads (1.2 Volt/cell) = 8.4 VDC
- Current Drain: Receiving - Approx. 70 mA
Transmitting - Approx. 620 mA
- Dimensions: (W) 66mm $\times$ (H) 39mm $\times$ (D) 142mm
- Weight: 710 Grams (1 lb. 9 oz.) with batteries and antenna

Transmitter

- Output Power: 2 Watts at 9.0 VDC
- Emission modes: A3J (USB) and A1 (CW)
- Spurious Emissions: More than 40 dB down

Receiver

- Sensitivity: less than 0.5 μ V for 15 dB S/N
- Intermediate Frequency: 11.2735 MHz

Controls and Indicators

- On/Off Volume control Top mounted Potentiometer
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- Frequency: Top mounted 50 KHz VXO
- Frequency Range: Top mounted 2-position switch
- Noise Blanker: Top mounted On/Off switch
- S/Rf meter: Top mounted S/Rf meter
- Built in CW key: Top mounted momentary switch
- External Speaker output: Top mounted $\frac{1}{16}$ " phone jack
- External Microphone input: Top mounted $\frac{1}{8}$ " phone jack
- Antenna Connector: Top mounted Female BNC
- Transmit Indicator: Top mounted Transmit LED
- Push-To-Talk: Side mounted momentary switch
- External Power: Bottom mounted 2.1 mm coaxial
- External key input: Bottom mounted $\frac{1}{8}$ " phone jack
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Sixty-two programmable memories that store

frequency, mode, filter selected, channel number and a 7 character alpha-numeric "tag" for entering channel I.D. Scan rate is selectable and as each memory is scanned all of the stored information is displayed (what a light show!). Alternately, the memories can be tuned with the main tuning knob.

Frequency selection is with the main tuning knob, direct keypad entry or up/down buttons that will shift in 100 kHz or one MHz increments or to the next ham band. DISPLAY button selects 24 hour clock or date or tag. VOICE button causes a voice frequency announcement with optional synthesized voice board installed.

Rear panel controls are provided to adjust the VOX, cw monitor level and tone, and SSB

sidetone monitor level. Switching is provided to control conventional linear amplifiers and of course, high speed switching for QSK linears, such as the Titan or the Hercules II. Other rear panel inputs and outputs for transverters, FSK (170 Hz shift), fixed level audio out, audio in, external speaker, aux dc jack and provision for the optional RS-232 control interface. An absolute delight for the all mode operator.

The Paragon is the result of a three year engineering effort. We are proud of the Paragon and we think it has set new standards of excellence in synthesized rigs. Check it out yourself. We think that you will share our pride in the Paragon.



The Classic CORSAIR II...

Unique in all the world, the CORSAIR II is the only ham transceiver available that uses a crystal mixed, permeability tuned oscillator. The ability of this scheme to reject strong adjacent signals and to dig out weak signals under the most adverse conditions is legendary. The 95 dB of dynamic range is all useable!

Frequency tuning is also unique. The main tuning is 18 kHz per turn. Dual range offset tuning

can control transmit, receive or transceive. Selectivity is enhanced with a 16 pole crystal ladder filter and pass band tuning. The 50+ dB notch filter virtually eliminates carrier type interference. An eight pole audio filter is standard and the I-F filters are selectable independent of mode for superior operation on the digital modes.

The transmitter is well known for outstanding audio quality on SSB and QSK CW performance is

simply beyond comparison. All ham bands are covered, 160 through 10 meters with WWV at 10 MHz. The front panel is a thoughtful and spacious arrangement with only the controls that you need.

If your number one priority is outstanding performance on the ham bands, and simplicity is still a virtue, you may be the kind of purist who deserves the classic CORSAIR II.

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The following Special Events will take place during October:

W1GB, from Fall River, MA; Quinnipiac Council of Boy Scouts, Jamboree-on-the-Air; 2359Z Oct. 21 to 1800Z Oct. 23; phone General portion of 80-15 meters, Novice 10 meters, CW middle of 40 and 15 me-

ter Novice bands. For special QSL send SASE to Skip Paquette, KA1EAJ, 121 West Dayton Hill Rd., Wallingford, CT 06492.

KE2T, from Webster, NY; Xerox ARC; 0000-2400Z Oct. 22; phone lower 25 kHz of General 80-10 meter bands and Novice portion of 10 meters, CW 50 kHz above the lower band edges. For certificate send QSL and business-size SASE to XARC, Building 337, Joseph C. Wilson Center for Technology, 800 Phillips Rd., Webster, NY 14580.

K2BSA, from Dallas/Fort Worth, TX; Jamboree-on-the-Air, Boy Scouts of America; 0001 local time Oct. 15 to 2400 local time Oct. 16; phone 3940, 7290, 14290, 21360, 28350; CW 3590, 14070, 21140, 28190; packet, RTTY, SSTV, ATV on usual frequencies, plus check the Novice frequencies. For certificate send SASE to Jamboree-on-the-Air Certificates,

S221, 1325 Walnut Hill Lane, P.O. Box 152079, Irving, TX 75015-2079.

WB2JQR, from Grovers Mill, NJ; GE Astro Space Division ARC; 1400Z Oct. 30 to 0200Z Oct. 31; CW 3.535, 7.035, 7.135, 14.035, 21.135, 28.135 MHz; phone 3.950, 7.235, 14.285, 21.355, 28.400 MHz. For QSL and certificate, send QSL and 9 by 12 envelope for unfolded or legal-size envelope for folded to Alex Montare, KA2VLP, Astro Radio Club, MS 410-1B, GE Astro Space Division, P.O. Box 800, Princeton, NJ 08543-0800.

K4HOG, from Lexington, NC; Healing Springs Mtn. VHF Society; 1300-2100Z Oct. 29; phone 7245, 14245, 28320 kHz; CW 7030 kHz. For special QSL send SASE to Healing Springs Mtn. VHF Society, P.O. Box 41, Lexington, NC 27293-0041.

KB4PIW, from Chattanooga, TN; Chattanooga Choo-Choo Chapter of 10-10 International; 1400-2200Z Oct. 15-16; phone 28.485 MHz. For certificate send QSL and No. 10 SASE to Martie Perry, KB4PIW, Rt. 3, Box 272, Signal Mountain, TN 37377.

W4DW, from Mount Mitchell State Park, NC; Raleigh ARS; Oct. 15-16 (no times given); lower portions of the 80-15 General phone bands and 10 meter Novice segment. For QSL send your QSL and SASE to W4DW Special Event, Raleigh ARS, Box 17124, Raleigh, NC 27609.

K4-land, from Dalton, GA; Dalton ARC; Oct. 8-9 (no times given); phone 40 and 20 meters with 10 meters if conditions permit. For QSL send SASE to DARCI, P.O. Box 143, Dalton, GA 30722-0143.

W4YCZ, from Hampton, VA; Southern Peninsula AR Klub; 1400-2300Z Oct. 8-9; 80-10 meters near low end of General class band, CW in the Novice and General bands as time permits. Send SASE to SPARK, 172 W. Ocean Ave., Norfolk, VA 23503.

WM5Q, from Las Cruces, NM; Billy the Kid Chapter of 10-10 International; 1600-2300Z Oct. 1; phone and CW as well as packet on VHF, suggested frequency 28.365 MHz, but operation of other HF bands is planned. QSL to Billy the Kid Chapter of 10-10 International, P.O. Box 274, Fairacres, NM 88033.

W5ANR, from Poteau, OK; Fort Smith, Arkansas Area ARC; 1400-2300Z Oct. 8 and 1400-2200Z Oct. 9; lower 30 kHz of the General phone bands, 28.435 in Novice phone, and 145.01 on packet. For certificate send QSL and SASE to FSAARC-W5ANR, Box 32, Fort Smith, AR 72902-0032.

N5CAF, from Harlingen, TX; South Texas Amateur Repeater Society; 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. local time Oct. 7-8; phone 14260, 21360, 28460. For certificate QSL send QSL and SASE to Dr. David Woolweaver, K5RAV, 2210 S. 77 Sunshine Strip, Harlingen, TX 78550.

WB8ZVS, from Clarksburg, WV; Stonewall Jackson ARA; 1400-0100Z Oct. 9; phone lower portion of the General 20, 40, 75 meter bands; CW in 40 meter Novice band. For certificate send contact number, QSL, and SASE to J.R. Chiado, KB8ZQP, 289 Magnolia Ave., Clarksburg, WV 26301.

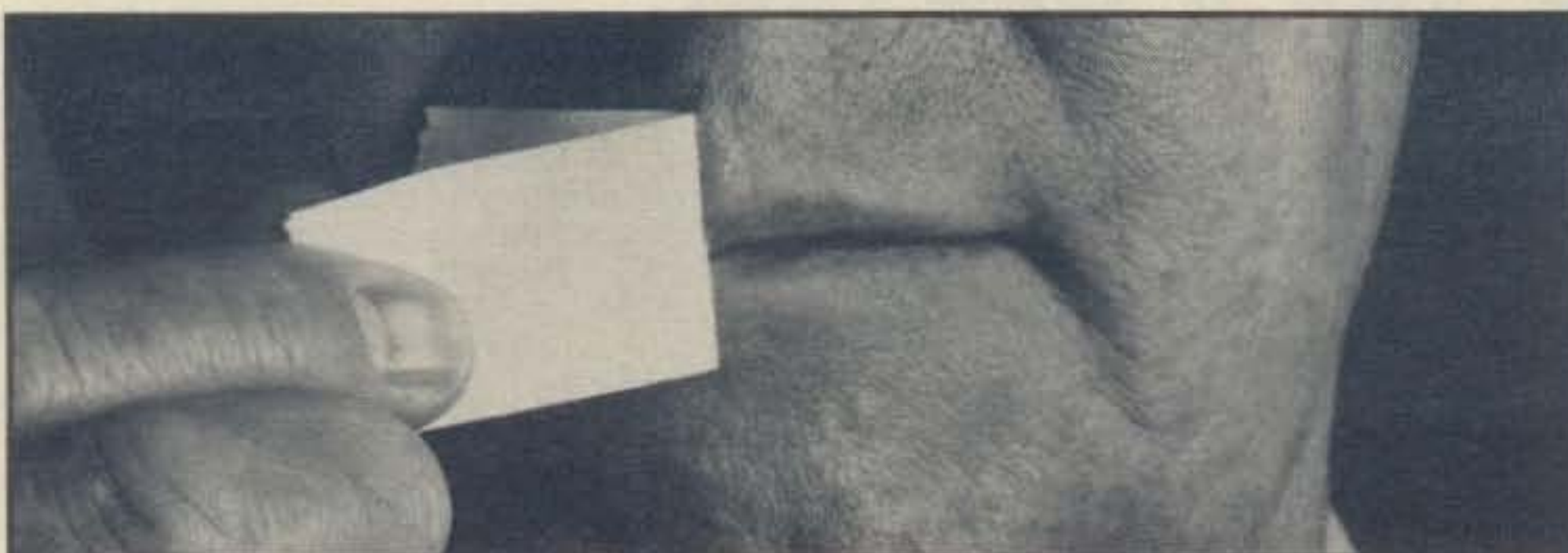
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NU8K, from Logan County, WV; Logan County ARC; 1600Z Oct. 1 to 0200Z Oct. 2; phone 25 kHz from the low end of the General phone bands as propagation allows. For certificate send QSL and legal-size SASE to Roy Elkins, NU8K, P.O. Box 202, Monaville, WV 25636.

N8DST, from Branson, MO; White River Valley ARS; 0700-1900 CST on Oct. 15; 10, 20, and 80 meters, packet also available. For QSL send your QSL and 8 1/2 x 11 SASE to WRVARS, P.O. Box 961, Pt. Lookout, MO 65726.

N8AUY, from Moberly, MO; Tri-County ARC; 1600Z Oct. 15 to 0200Z Oct. 16; lower 25 kHz of 80-15 meters and Novice part of 10 meters. For certificate send business-size SASE to Tri-County ARC, P.O. Box 341, Moberly, MO 65270.

N200RH, from Reno, NV; Wide Area Data Group; Oct. 22-28 (plus multi-multi in CQ WW DX CW Contest); CW 28025, 21025, 14025, 7025, 3525; phone 28495, 21310, 14230, 7230, 3860. Send QSL and SASE to N200RH, P.O. Box 3132, Sparks, NV 89432.



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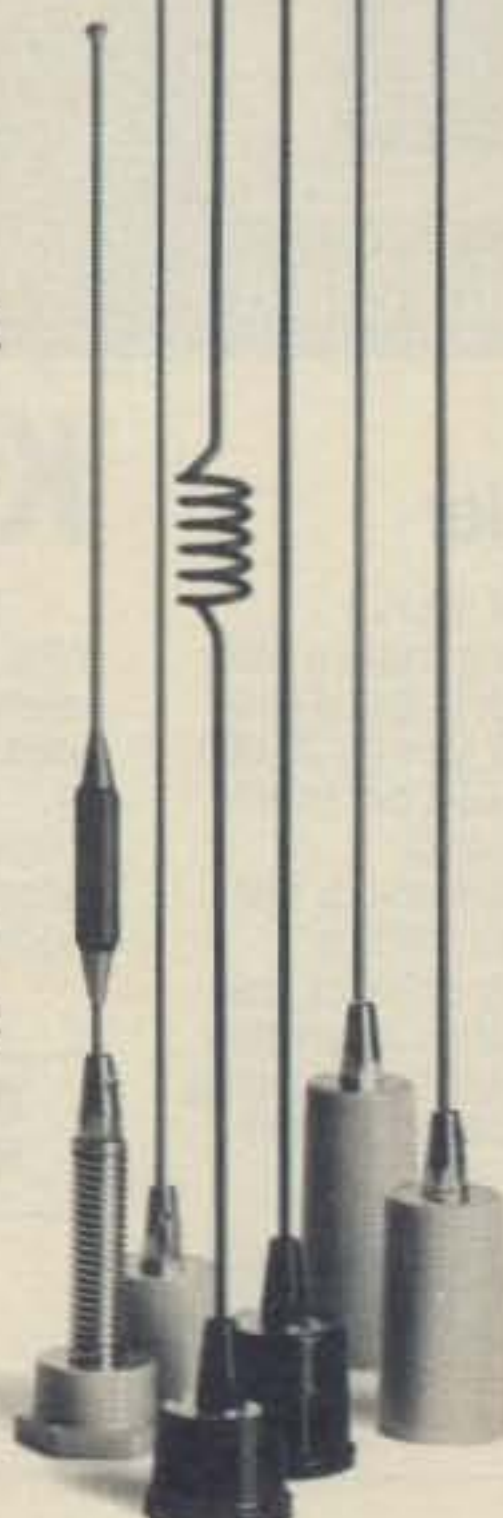
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The following hamfests, etc., are slated for October:

Oct. 1, **Tri-State ARA Hamfest and Computer Fair**, Huntington Civic Center, Huntington, WV. Contact Charley Shumacher, N8IKP, 304-523-5264, or P.O. Box 4120, Huntington, WV 25729.

Oct. 1-2, **ARRL Kansas Convention**, Red Coach Inn, Wichita, KS. Contact Vern Heinsohn, WA0ZWW, 950 Back Bay, Wichita, KS 67203.

Oct. 2, **ARRL Illinois State Convention and Rockford Hamfest 88/Computer Fair**, National Guard Armory, Rockford, IL. Contact Roger Sawvell, KD9MQ, 815-282-1283, or send SASE to Rockford Hamfest, P.O. Box 10003, Rockford, IL 61131.

Oct. 2, **St. Peters ARC Swapfest**, McNair Park Day Care Center, St. Charles, MO. Contact Allen Underdown, 314-723-4200.

Oct. 2, **Yonkers, NY Electronics Fair and Fleamarket**, Yonkers Municipal Parking Garage, Yonkers, NY. Contact Yonkers ARC, 914-969-1053.

Oct. 2, **Southeast Iowa Hamfest**, West Liberty Fairgrounds, West Liberty, IA. Contact Ken Kucera, KA0Y, RR2 Box 52A, Riverside, IA 52327 (319-648-5037). (Exams at 10 am.)

Oct. 2, **Lake County ARC Hamfest**, Hammond National Guard Armory, Hammond, IN. Contact Lucy Schendera, N9DTG, 812 E. 40th Place, Griffith, IN 46319, or call 219-923-4873.

Oct. 2, **Springfield Hamfest and Computer Expo**, Springfield, OH. Contact Springfield Independent Radio Assn., P.O. Box 523, Springfield, OH 45501 (SASE).

Oct. 2, **1988 Blossomland Blast**, Lake Michigan College, Benton Harbor, MI. Contact "Blast," P.O. Box 175, St. Joseph, MI 49085.

Oct. 7-8, **Central Georgia ARC Hamfest**, Warner Robins Recreation Center, Warner Robins, GA. Contact N4MXC, 112 Carol Dr., Cochran, GA 31014 (921-923-9236 after 6 pm).

Oct. 8-9, **DXPO 88**, Best Western Inn, Falls Church, VA. Contact Stuart Meyer, W2GHK/4ever, 2417 Newton Street, Vienna, VA 22180.

Oct. 9 (rain date Oct. 16), **Hall Of Science ARC Hamfest**, NY Hall of Science parking lot, Flushing Meadow Park, Queens, NY. Contact Steve Greenbaum, WB2KDG, 718-898-5599 or Arnie Schiffman, WB2YXB, 718-343-0172 (both evenings).

Oct. 9, **HamFair 88**, Lansing Civic Center's Exhibition Hall, Lansing, MI. Contact Rowena Elrod, KA8OBS, 111 Lancelot Place, Lansing, MI 48906 (517-482-9650).

Oct. 9, **Northwest Ohio ARC Hamfest**, Allen County Fairgrounds, Lima, OH. Contact WD8BND, P.O. Box 211, Lima, OH 45802 (SASE), or call 419-647-6513. (Handicapped accessible.)

Oct. 14-16, **Houston Com-vention**, Houston, TX. Contact Houston Com-vention, c/o Robert Craig, P.O. Box 61081, Houston, TX 77208-1081.

Oct. 15, **Radio Amateurs of Greater Syracuse Hamfest**, Art and Home Center, NY State Fairgrounds, Syracuse, NY. For more info call 315-469-0590.

Oct. 15-16, **Palm Beach County ARRL Hamfest**, South Florida Fairgrounds, West Palm Beach, FL. Contact Palm Beach Repeater Assn., P.O. Box 461, Lake Worth, FL 33460.

Oct. 16, **Chicago ARC W9CAF Old Timers Day and Reunion**, North Park Village, Chicago, IL. For more information, call 312-545-3622.

Oct. 16, **37th Annual Rock Hill Hamfest**, Joslyn Park, Rock Hill, SC. Contact Frank Bateman, N4HRP, P.O. Box 4141 CRS, Rock Hill, SC 29731.

Oct. 16, **Cumberland County Hamfest**, Carlisle Fairgrounds, Carlisle, PA. Contact C-CARS, P.O. Box 448, New Kingston, PA 17072 (SASE).

Oct. 23, **Kalamazoo Hamfest**, Kalamazoo Central High School, Kalamazoo, MI. Contact Gary Hazelton, KB8PL, 67332 32nd St., Lawton, MI 49065 (SASE).

Oct. 23, **London ARC Fleamarket**, Pot of Gold Bingo Palace, London, Ontario, Canada. Contact London ARC, P.O. Box 82, Station B, London, Ont. N6A 4V3, c/o Dave Noon, VE3IAE (519-453-2292).

Oct. 29, **Tri-City ARC Auction**, Gales Ferry Fire House, Gales Ferry, CT. Contact WA2RYV, 203-464-6555.

Oct. 29, **Hamfest Minnesota and Computer Expo**, Hennepin Technical Institute, Brooklyn Park Campus, Brooklyn Park, MN. Contact Hamfest Minnesota and Computer Expo, P.O. Box 5598, Hopkins, MN 55343, or call Mike Sigelman, K0BUD, 612-542-8450.

Oct. 29-30, **Hamfest Chattanooga Amateur Radio and Computer Convention**, South Hall of Chattanooga-Hamilton County Convention and Trade Center, Chattanooga, TN. Contact Hamfest Chattanooga, P.O. Box 3377, Chattanooga, TN 37404.

Oct. 29-30, **Texoma Hamarama 88**, Texoma State Lodge, Lake Texoma, Kingston, TX. Contact Texoma Hamarama Assn., P.O. Box 610892, DFW Airport, TX 75261, or call Dave Cox, NB5N, 918-250-2285.

Oct. 30, **Heart of Ohio Ham Fiesta**, Marion County Fairgrounds Coliseum, Marion, OH. Contact Ed Margraff, KD8OC, 1989 Weiss Ave., Marion, OH 43302 (614-382-2608).

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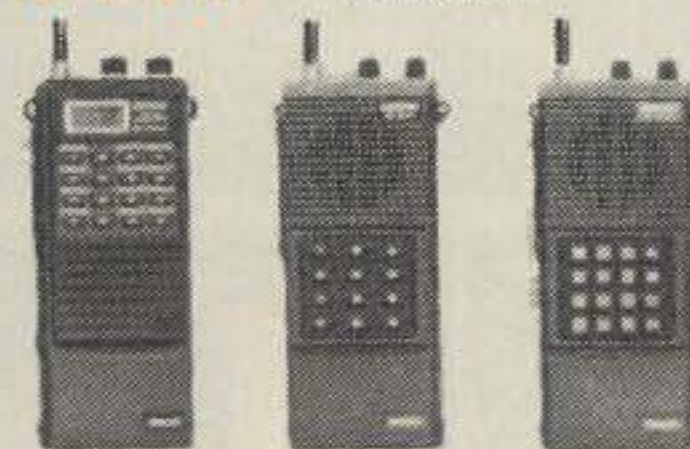
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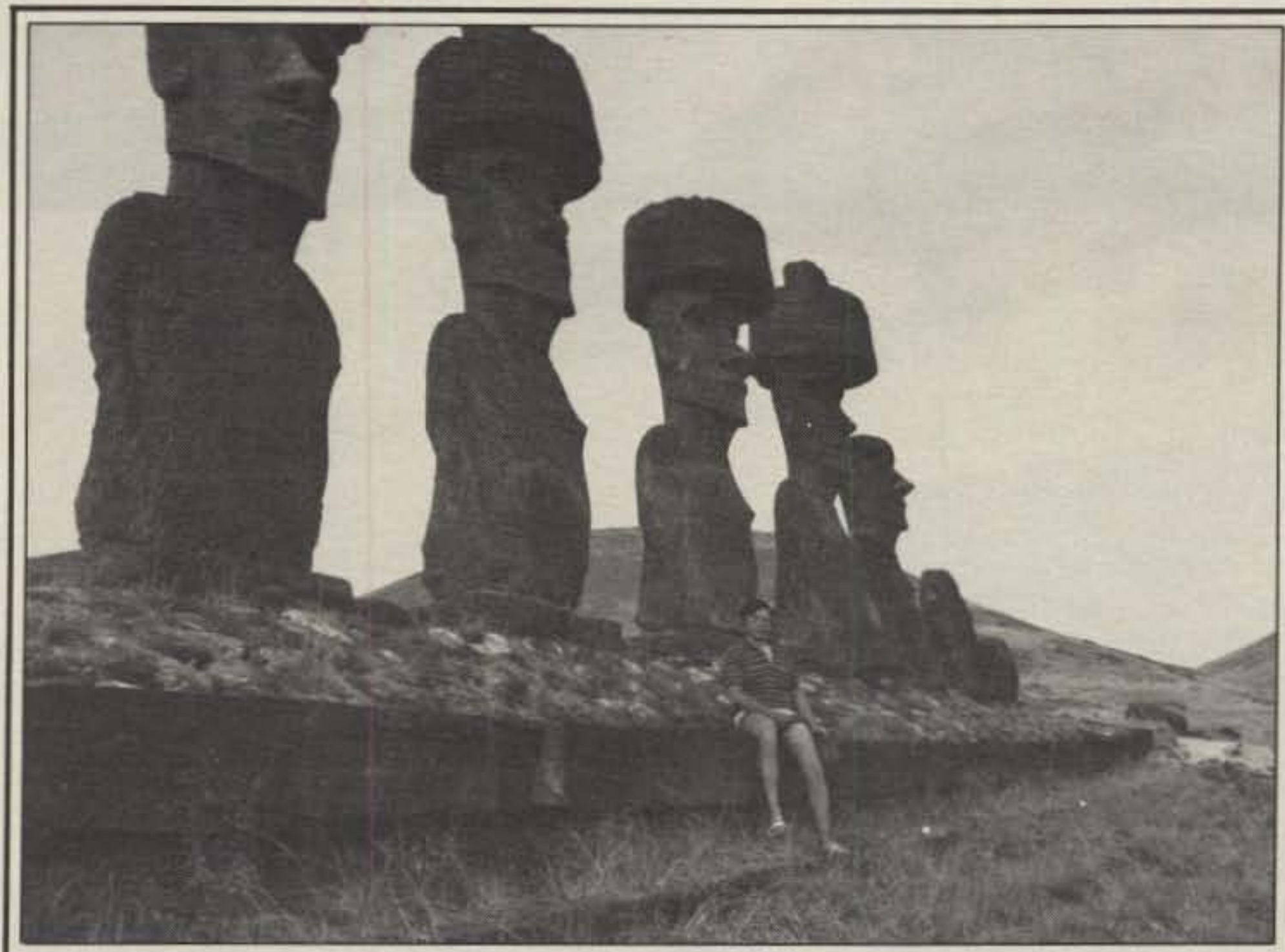
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Results of the 1987 CQ World-Wide DX CW Contest

BY BOB COX*, K3EST/6, AND LARRY BROCKMAN**, N6AR/4

The name of the game in the CQ WW is fun and excitement. Working that rare country, running stations at fast rates, QRPing your way through the pileups, or operating on a multi-operator team, the contest has something for you. Last year's CQ CW test was certainly a harbinger of the new sunspot cycle. That weekend was the best CW weekend in recent memory.

All Band Results

The great conditions produced exceptional scores. Continental records fell in large numbers due to good high- and low-band conditions (even with a poor to average 28 MHz band). To challenge for the world cup the best place to be was northern South America. After all the dust settled, the top score in the world was FY5YE operated by Ville, OH2MM. Ville

set a new world record of 8.2 million points. He was hotly contested by P40GD, operated by John, W2GD, and HD5X operated by KQ2M, Bob. In addition to complete concentration during the contest, these fine operators each made over 5,000 QSOs. The QSO leader was NP4A operated by N2NT. The top USA score was generated by K1EA, who set a new US record. In the number two slot was W1KM, who should be noted had a 100 QSO hour rate on 80 meters! The number one score in Europe, setting a new European record, was I4IND. Way up on beautiful Aaland Island, Lars, SM0GMG, put OH0BH into second place. As a matter of fact, single operator, all band continental records were set in Africa (9Q5NW), Asia (5B4TI), Europe (I4IND), North America (NP4A), and South America (FY5YE). Repeating his SSB QRP performance Danny, K7SS, journeyed up to VE7DX, where he won for the world in the QRP category. Not far behind in second place was YU3BC.

The two teams in the Team Contesting category made everyone happy by traveling to 10 different countries. After adding up the scores of the two teams, it was a near photo finish, with Team America just edging out Team

Scandinavia. The two teams set three of the new continental records. Quite an effort!

Single Band Results

As has been the case for several years, the southern hemisphere led the way on 28 MHz. The top score goes to 4M7A (YV7QP) operating from Margarita Island, followed by Jim at PY5CA. Congratulations to KH2F, who managed to break the top six from Guam. As you can see from the top score listings, conditions still have not opened up for the northern hemisphere. In that part of the world, F6AUS and N4EJW led the way. The 21 MHz story was LU8DQ camouflaged as LO8WW. Jorge keyed his way to a new world record over 5H3BH (SM0AJU), who set a new African record. In the US, K5GO edged out W5VX, while in Europe 4N4A (YU4EJC) crossed the finish line before LZ1KDP (LZ1AX). The high scores on 14 MHz are found in the northern hemisphere, with EA8ID (DK3GI) the number one score setting a new African record and finishing ahead of CW8B. Carl, K3RV/4, placed number 1 in the US, while Tine, YT3AA, did his usual superb job as number 1 in Europe. Forty meters was fan-

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tastic with several entrants having over 120 countries in their logs. The low K and A indices allowed polar signals to be loud and persistent, a welcome change from the usual high absorption. The world winner for 7 MHz was YW1O (YV1DIG) with over 2,016 Qs in the log. Finishing second with 2,012 Qs was YU3ZV returning to the contest after several years absence.

Both operators set new continental records. In the USA the battle on 7 MHz produced real fireworks. In the final analysis Jim, W6YA, edged out KM6B (N6AW) for the title. Dov, 4Z4DX, traveled over to ZC4DX and took away the world high 3.5 MHz score and in doing so set a new Asian record. He was trailed by the outstanding effort from UA2FGA, who set a new

European record on his way to making over 1,900 Qs. The only single band record to fall in the USA was the winning score of W1FV on 3.5 MHz.

Top band continues to produce big scores and big activity. This year we counted over 90 countries in the logs received. Taking away the world title and setting a new Asian record was

CW TROPHY WINNERS AND DONORS

SINGLE OPERATOR, ALL BAND

WORLD

FY5YE (Opr. Ville Hiilesmaa, OH2MM)
Donor: W2AB Memorial (Albert Kahn, K4FW)

World QRP

VE7DX (Opr. Danny Eskenazi, K7SS)
Donor: Gene Walsh, N2AA

USA

Kenneth Wolff, K1EA
Donor: Frankford Radio Club

Canada

George Andrew McLellan, VE1ASJ
Donor: Canadian DX Association

Caribbean/Central America

NP4A (Opr. Andrew Blank, N2NT)
Donor: Peter Monroe, WB1DQC

Europe

Francesco Chiodini, I4IND
Donor: Edward Bissell, W3AU

Africa

9Q5NW (Opr. Richard Norton, N6AA)
Donor: Gordon Marshall, W6RR

Asia

5B4TI (Opr. Philip Goetz, N6ZZ)
Donor: Japan CQ Magazine

Japan

Akito Nagi, JA5DQH
Donor: Japan Crazy Contesters Club

Oceania

KC6CS (Opr. Satoshi Nakamura, JE1JKL)
Donor: Maui Amateur Radio Club

South America

P4ØGD (Opr. John Crovelli, W2GD)
Donor: YV5AAZ Memorial (Venezuela DX Club)

SINGLE OPERATOR, SINGLE BAND

World—28 MHz

4M7A (Opr. Neris Vicent Branch, YV7QP)
Donor: Joel Chalmers, KG6DX

World—21 MHz

LO8WW (Opr. Jorge Bozzo, LU8DQ)
Donor: South Jersey DX Assn. (N2CW Memorial)

World—14 MHz

EA8ID (Opr. Roland Mensch, DK3GI)
Donor: North Jersey DX Assn.
(K2HLB Memorial)

World—7 MHz

YW1O
(Opr. Paolo L. Stradio Roseano, YV1DIG)
Donor: Alex M. Kasevich, VP2MM

World—3.5 MHz

ZC4DX (Opr. Dov Gavish, 4Z4DX)
Donor: Fred Capossela, K6SSS

World—1.8 MHz

Algis Kregzde, UP2NK/UF
Donor: KP4ES Memorial (Chip Margelli, K7JA)

USA (14 MHz)

Carl Kratzer, K3RV/4
Donor: Northern Illinois DX Association

USA—7 MHz

James Mc Cook, W6YA
Donor: Jan Perkins, N6AW

Canada (14 MHz)

Brian Kelly, VO1QU
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Caribbean/Central America (14 MHz)

8P9EL (Opr. Dennis McAlpine, K2SX)
Donor: DX Club of Puerto Rico

Europe (7 MHz)

Drago Turin, YU3ZV
Donor: Southern New England DX Club

Australia—14 MHz

D. F. Kiesewetter, VK2APK
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Japan—21 MHz

JA1YWY
(Opr. Muneharu Yokoyama, JO1BMV)
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SPECIAL SINGLE OPERATOR COMBINED SSB/CW

World—All Band

Olli Rissanen, OHØXX (Opr. FY5YE/CR9BZ)
Total: 15,511,933
Donor: John Knight, W6YY

World—Single Band

James Hoffman, N5FA (Opr. PY5CA/ZZ5EG)
Total: 2,343,548
Donor: Yuri Blannarovich, VE3BMV

World—Most Contacts (5382)

NP4A (Opr. Andrew Blank, N2NT)
Donor: KV4AA Memorial (14270 kHz Group)

CLUB

USA (World)—SSB/CW
Frankford Radio Club: 131,509,320
Donor: CQ Magazine

DX—SSB/CW

Bavarian Contest Club: 39,145,235
Donor: No. Calif. Contest Club
(N6AUV Memorial)

MULTI-OPERATOR SINGLE TRANSMITTER

World

EA8AGD (Opr. OH8LP, OH8NW, OH8PF, OH8SR)
Donor: Anthony Susen, W3AOH

USA

K1GQ (Opr. K1GQ, K1AR, K1JX, KC1F, AK1A, AA2Z)
Donor: Doug Zwiebel, KR2Q

Europe

OK5R (Opr. OK1ADM, OK1ADS, OK1ALW, OK1AWZ, OK1DIM, OK1RI)
Donor: K3AO Memorial (Friends of K3AO)

MULTI-OPERATOR MULTI-TRANSMITTER

World

KP2A (Opr. KP2A, AA6AA, KØRF, K1ZM, K2EK, K5VT, KC7V, N2AA, N2IC, N6DX, N7BG, WØUA, W6MSG, W6OUL, W7CB, WB3JRU, WZ6Z)
Donor: Hazard Reeves, K2GL Memorial

USA

NR5M (Opr. K2TNO, K2UA, K2UA/XYL, K5GA, K5GN, K5LZO, K5MA, K5TU, KE5IV, KG5U, KN5H, KZ5M, N5DU, N5EA, NR5M, NT5D, W5ASP, W9AGH, WB5N)
Donor: Jim Rafferty, N6RJ

Europe

OK7AA (Opr. OK3CMZ, OK3CSC, OK3CZM, OK3TPV, OK3LU, OK3TJI, OK3CBU, OK3CLD, OK3LZ, OK3YX, OK3CSQ, OK3CRQ, OK3TCJ, OK3CUM, OK3CQW, OK3CEI, OK3CDV, OK3EA, OK3CEM, OK3MB, OK3YEC, OK3TCL, OK3TMM, OK3JW)
Donor: OH-DX-Ring, OH2AM

CONTEST DXPEDITIONS

World Single Operator

9Q5NW (Opr. N6AA)
Donor: Yankee Clipper Contest Club

World Multi-Operator

EA9EA (Opr. EA9EA, EA4CPX, EA4MY, EA5BRA, EA7BUD, EA7LQ, EA7TL, EA7XC, EA9EO, EA9EU, EA9GK)
Donor: Bill Schneider, K2TT

BAND-BY-BAND BREAKDOWN—TOP ALL BAND SCORES

Number groups indicate: QSO's/Zones/Countries on each band.

WORLD TOP SINGLE OPERATOR, ALL BAND

USA TOP SINGLE OPERATOR, ALL BAND

Station	160	80	40	20	15	10
FY5YE	122/12/27	297/16/41	805/24/63	1305/35/89	1807/30/83	971/25/78
P40GD	358/13/36	626/22/64	1004/26/71	893/29/80	968/30/84	1054/22/70
HD5X	34/7/9	243/18/38	909/27/67	1128/33/85	2158/34/102	760/26/60
9Q5NW	45/13/29	121/16/38	733/25/61	1055/33/84	2037/32/94	777/31/79
D44BC	133/14/36	273/16/43	719/19/55	882/31/77	1371/30/75	1538/26/82
NP4A	279/17/34	617/21/65	1419/25/76	1047/30/81	1219/26/77	801/22/61
CR9BZ	179/12/38	531/17/54	808/19/62	552/25/70	1033/26/74	1344/24/70
EA8XS	31/10/27	465/16/48	1549/24/78	581/23/50	1420/25/73	643/20/47
5L7U	108/12/27	158/18/38	527/24/53	1066/32/82	992/26/70	1349/29/79
5B4TI	167/8/38	479/13/52	1043/25/74	715/29/70	914/28/81	627/23/72

Station	160	80	40	20	15	10
K1EA	59/13/31	367/21/63	612/35/91	825/33/87	693/27/75	53/15/31
W1KM	52/14/34	582/25/72	567/30/85	553/29/73	506/25/69	204/21/59
W3GRF	15/9/11	442/18/60	787/33/91	513/36/91	571/27/78	184/20/49
N2LT	37/13/28	220/21/62	557/33/92	609/33/88	685/28/74	164/18/49
K1TO	48/11/31	276/20/67	533/30/86	827/33/92	481/24/77	71/17/41
K3TUP	55/15/37	217/21/60	491/33/90	604/31/91	699/26/75	73/20/43
K1CC	55/12/36	220/18/61	515/30/83	597/35/85	561/28/78	143/18/43
W9RE	44/16/34	230/25/60	427/31/80	536/36/89	515/28/79	116/21/47
K3LR	47/14/28	144/21/56	373/32/82	498/34/90	540/29/80	120/19/44
N6AR/4	20/10/13	160/18/54	510/35/88	333/34/84	380/29/81	246/24/60

WORLD TOP MULTI-OPERATOR SINGLE-TRANSMITTER

USA TOP MULTI-OPERATOR SINGLE-TRANSMITTER

EA8AGD	45/11/44	989/24/73	1243/21/68	906/34/87	1416/27/26	1164/27/78
V31A	224/13/24	726/22/53	1187/24/61	1109/35/79	1481/31/91	697/21/40
OK5R	88/10/52	943/21/71	865/35/101	1064/35/101	864/33/94	222/29/84
LZ9A	139/9/46	414/17/65	1426/34/104	1064/34/104	983/37/96	176/31/86
HG5A	205/10/46	771/16/64	1179/36/104	1036/36/104	850/36/92	158/32/88
EA3VY	130/12/54	708/24/73	990/24/75	1085/31/94	872/32/82	424/29/71

K1GQ	50/13/39	317/23/74	916/36/111	694/37/114	695/29/99	143/24/70
N2RM	49/18/46	386/24/78	798/35/112	577/36/101	645/32/94	207/26/74
N3RS	42/15/34	227/23/75	999/35/117	472/38/108	677/32/100	120/25/73
N4WW	39/16/37	204/21/71	763/34/102	423/33/96	074/33/99	138/29/79
W3BGN	62/19/45	252/24/74	700/36/107	627/35/109	465/32/94	175/27/78
N6RO	23/12/15	283/29/64	682/37/102	832/37/105	545/34/85	141/26/46

WORLD TOP MULTI-OPERATOR MULTI-TRANSMITTER

USA TOP MULTI-OPERATOR MULTI-TRANSMITTER

KP2A	711/23/65	890/23/77	2502/34/115	3422/39/129	2417/37/103	2445/32/106
EA9EA	287/11/50	1417/20/74	2084/33/95	3336/37/118	2437/39/107	1570/32/89
J6DX	783/17/54	1433/25/72	1557/23/71	1992/33/86	2464/28/84	1604/23/61
OK7AA	749/17/69	1416/25/78	2050/38/123	1994/39/125	1211/38/106	245/28/89
UP7A	780/18/70	1221/23/73	1483/34/100	1803/37/107	997/34/102	279/26/78
W3LPL	175/21/54	640/27/87	1209/39/114	1282/38/121	851/35/103	599/28/90

W3LPL	175/21/54	640/27/87	1209/39/114	1282/38/121	851/35/103	599/28/90
NR5M	69/17/29	352/27/73	1012/38/113	1185/38/120	1021/36/108	272/30/75
N4ZC	47/12/25	290/22/67	791/39/109	786/31/97	756/31/93	351/25/66
K4VX/0	81/19/37	367/26/68	547/36/98	1068/38/114	766/32/81	154/24/56
N1CQ	133/19/58	237/22/68	680/36/101	1105/38/109	616/26/76	159/22/61
W3GM	94/18/45	342/23/74	654/31/92	806/37/104	446/31/86	285/26/87

Algis, UP2NK/UF. Not far away UG6GAW settled for second with a score of 103K. The top European score and everybody's first HB QSO on 160 was HB9AMO. Pierre set a new European record. Back in the States top band top score goes to K5UR. Rick had to work hard to overcome the challenge of second-place finisher WB9HAD.

Multi-Operator

The world and new African multi-single record goes to EA8AGD. Operated as a DXpedition from Finland, they carried on the tradition of Finnish activity from all over the world (just look at the operators from many of the world top scores). In second place from Belize was V31A. In addition to a great effort they submitted the best-looking log we have ever seen. The great conditions allowed the old US record to be crushed by K1GQ by nearly a million points! And OK5R ended up on top in this highly competitive European category.

The new world record in the multi-multi category is held by KP2A. Blessed with great conditions and operators, they broke new ground in QSO and multiplier numbers. Breaking the world record is hard enough, but from a two area into the US makes it quite an accomplishment! Also splendid was the score of EA9EA. They broke the old world record and finished only 1.6 M behind the leader, while setting a new African record. In the US, W3LPL just missed taking the record with a fine 10.2 M effort, finishing ahead of NR5M. While in Europe OK7AA did a fine job in edging out UP7A.

The club scores reflect hundreds of hours of planning and traveling on DXpeditions. Tied together by spotting nets, individual efforts, and overseas operations, they have a special camaraderie. The two clubs that finished top in the world and Europe demonstrated all the above. The Frankford Radio Club reigns number 1, fol-



HS0A: (left to right) K2BA, K3ZO, HS1ALV, JA0JCI, JK1CCO, JA5XOZ, with DL7MAE in front.

lowed by the Yankee Clipper Contest Club. In Europe the Bavarian Contest Club set a new European record over their countrymen to the north, the Rhein Ruhr DX Association.

Closing Comments

A special thanks to all the fellows who along with their logs submitted floppy disks of their logs. This saved us hundreds of hours in computer work. We use all these inputs to create a data bank which tells us several things: at least 27,000 unique calls were in the contest; at least 220 countries were in the test; and everyone has an error rate in their log.

This latter subject is determined by finding the number of unique QSOs in a top-scoring log and when possible comparing each unique QSO to the claimed or suspected call's actual log to discover whether a copying error is pre-

sent. If an error is present, then this is an unverifiable contact. We never remove a call from a log just based on computer information. After all, the computer only generates soft data. We, who administer the contest, do have an obligation to certify to the best of our ability new world records and world top scores.

Although for years your diligent committee has been quietly looking into error rates and how they are generated, this year at the international DX and Contest forums held in Visalia, California and Dayton, Ohio in the USA, the error problem came out into the open. How can an operator generate very fast QSO rates while maintaining a low error rate? There was no simple answer, but some recommendations can be made. Ask for a call repeat when you are not sure of what you copied. Transmit either as a whole or in parts the call sign of the station you work. If it's wrong, they will probably correct you or try to work you again. Most important, if you intend to submit a world contending log, remember to be careful in your operation.

We encourage the submission of floppy disks along with your hardcopy log. We accept any format but prefer ASCII. Our computer is an IBM.

Every year we are gratified by the number of multi-single entries we receive. The growing numbers indicate that you find this category interesting and fun. It allows a group of fellows to all work together to maximize the QSOs and multipliers, a feature not possible in the multi-single categories of other major contests. As a consequence of spotting nets and now packet radio, many single operators have taken advantage of the assistance to help their club scores. This has been especially true of clubs on the east and west coasts of the USA. Of course, the submission is now a *multi-single* instead of single operator entry even though



The enthusiastic crew at PA6DX.

there is only one op in the shack. If you look at the multi-operator, single transmitter listings for the USA, about one-third of the entries are now single-op assisted logs. Several people have written us asking that a new category of multi-operator, single transmitter be created

called *single op, VHF or packet-radio assisted*. It sounds like a good idea because of the following reasons: (1) packet is growing rapidly in the USA, Japan, and Europe, and the contest should, when appropriate, keep up with technologies; (2) it allows a station with one opera-



New World Record holder Ville, OH2MM, with station master Mario, FY5YE.

tor to ethically tie into spotting systems and compete with other such operators; and, finally, (3) it would allow a single operator the choice of maximizing his effort to help his club's total score. If you have any advice or comments on this matter please write to the CQ WW Contest Committee.

Special Thanks

A big thanks to the members of the CQ WW Contest Committee: W1WY, AD6C, KR2Q, K2SS, N6AW, W7EJ, W9RE, N2AA, K2VV, K6NA, N6ND, N3ED, K1AR, and KE7V.

We also wish to thank all those who cooperated with the committee in log checking and verification.

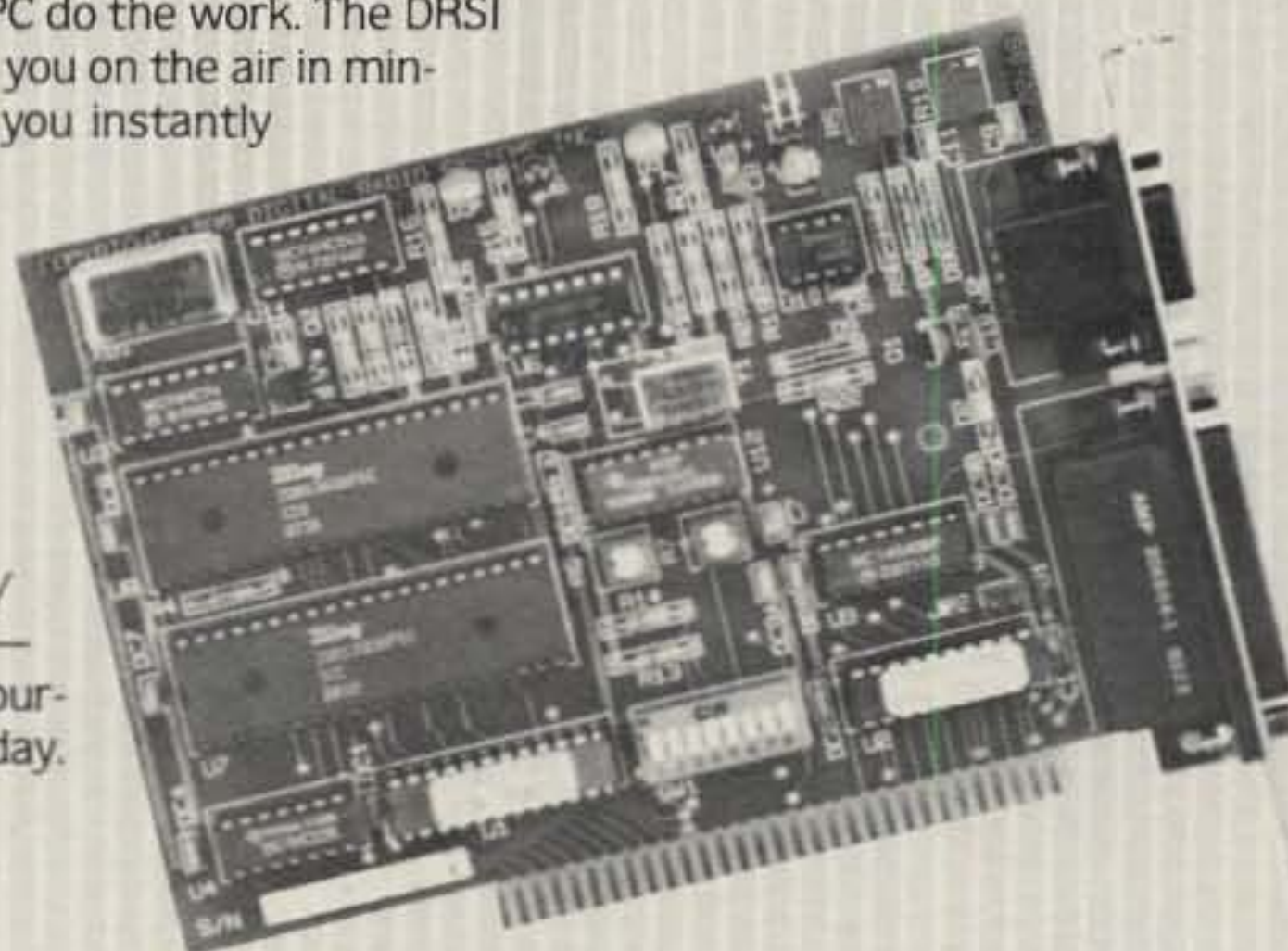
Congratulations to all the winners, and see you in 1988!

73, Bob, K3EST/6, and Larry, N6AR/4

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Single Op			Single Op			Single Op		
All Band			All Band			All Band		
FY5YE	8,201,163	K1EA	3,961,980	I4IND	4,188,034			
P40GD	7,952,283	W1KM	3,885,464	OH0BH	2,848,711			
HD5X	7,850,590	W3GRF	3,828,883	HA0MM	2,361,485			
9Q5NW	7,586,300	N2LT	3,587,045	G3MXJ	2,233,868			
D44BC	7,384,104	K1TO	3,444,319	F6BEE	2,165,946			
NP4A	7,247,449	K3TUP	3,363,110	OZ1LO	2,133,460			
CR9BZ	6,508,205	K1CC	3,194,147	DL4BBO	1,958,190			
EA8XS	6,162,093	W9RE	2,957,682	G4BUO	1,935,810			
5L7U	6,121,080	K3LR	2,629,659	YU7BJ	1,797,600			
5B4TI	5,816,907	N6AR/4	2,507,960	DF3CB	1,732,776			

Single Op			Single Op			Single Op		
Single Band			Single Band			Single Band		
28 MHz			28 MHz			28 MHz		
4M7A	741,312	N4EJW	105,369	F6AUS	177,749			
PY5CA	695,728	K1ZZ	104,244	G4CP	92,105			
AY6EF	552,448	KU2Q	46,228	DF2UU	86,920			
LU1E	492,140	K7QQ	37,944	YU3ZO	76,320			
AY4F	353,682	KA2AEV	35,112	IY4FGM	72,520			
KH2F	320,528	N9RD	27,158	LZ1YQ	70,928			

21 MHz			21 MHz			21 MHz		
LO8WW	1,391,355	K5GO	451,764	4N4A	491,419			
5H3BH	1,098,810	W5VX	421,850	LZ1KDP	474,157			
ZS6BCR	989,820	K1RM	395,508	YU1LA	397,980			
CX7BY	972,257	W1WEF	373,320	G3HCT	375,310			
YB0ARA	695,610	K1ZX/4	370,800	G4CNY	323,520			
LU1AF/D	693,765	KA5W	323,963	F6IRF	287,850			

14 MHz			14 MHz			14 MHz		
EA8ID	1,212,384	K3RV/4	553,415	YT3AA	627,414			
CW8B	1,011,036	KS8S	508,950	4N7N	575,355			
8P9EL	911,400	K1UO	502,152	RO4OA	380,986			
YT3AA	627,414	K2SS	479,479	F6GCP	343,430			
4N7N	575,355	WX4G	463,696	IT9GSF	319,924			
VO1QU	574,990	N5CR	408,480	SL4ZXE	318,682			

7 MHz			7 MHz			7 MHz		
YW1O	758,898	W6YA	353,829	YU3ZV	709,104			
YU3ZV	709,104	KM6B	351,090	IK2DVG	572,958			
YX5A	621,489	N2DT	315,530	HB9CIP	417,028			
IK2DVG	572,958	W4XJ	299,482	YT7A	387,393			
XE1FUX	548,977	K2DM	280,140	LZ1KSN	318,230			
JA7HMZ	477,450	K5RR	269,698	HA9RE	307,840			

3.5 MHz			3.5 MHz			3.5 MHz		
ZC4DX	430,566	W1FV	270,692	UA2FGA	403,686			
UA2FGA	403,686	WB8JBM	120,420	IO3JSS	226,164			
W1FV	270,692	K5RX	116,584	UP2PCI	192,276			
IO3JSS	226,164	KD2RD	114,760	DF0DX	146,580			
UP2PCI	192,276	W8UVZ	95,676	DL3HAH	145,260			
HK1AMW	177,120	W4NL	92,055	OH2JA	137,016			

1.8 MHz			1.8 MHz			1.8 MHz		
UP2NK/UF	113,718	K5UR	28,635	HB9AMO	97,064			
UG6GAW	103,016	WB9HAD	24,382	SV1NA/9	77,183			
HB9AMO	97,064	W0ZV	18,054	CT1AOZ	71,336			
SV1NA/9	77,183	K5NA/2	17,940	OK1DFP/P	60,270			
CT1AOZ	71,336	K4TEA	13,632	YO3CD	48,672			
OK1DFP/P	60,270	N4SU	9,686	G3XTT	47,808			

Multi-Op			Multi-Op			Multi-Op		
Single Transmitter			Single Transmitter			Single Transmitter		
EA8AGD	9,816,540	K1GQ	5,524,602	OK5R	6,038,351			
V31A	6,089,044	N2RM	5,222,100	LZ9A	5,886,114			
OK5R	6,038,351	N3RS	4,979,475	HG5A	5,787,055			
LZ9A	5,886,114	N4WW	4,724,200	EA3VY	5,566,462			
HG5A	5,787,055	W3BGN	4,485,280	HG6N	4,973,020			
EA3VY	5,566,462	N6RO	4,229,248	G0AAA/LX	4,538,229			

Multi-Op			Multi-Op			Multi-Op		
Multi-Transmitter			Multi-Transmitter			Multi-Transmitter		
KP2A	25,019,982	W3LPL	10,289,144	OK7AA	11,980,725			
EA9EA	23,425,035	NR5M	7,879,168	UP7A	8,996,130			
J6DX	13,375,437	N4ZC	5,405,537	LX9BV	8,747,440			
OK7AA	11,980,725	K4VX/0	5,364,112	PA6DX	6,928,293			
W3LPL	10,289,144	N1CQ	5,320,776	YZ1U	6,584,320			
UP7A	8,996,130	W3GM	4,793,674	YT5R	5,961,228			

USA QRM

Good cndx, my personal best score but I sleep too much... K7ABV. Fun working a BY for the first time since 50 years ago... W0RXL. Finally worked a UG6 after 28 years of this stuff... K9UIY. Now for the QSLs from those new countries... W7IIT. For once the predicted poor cndx did not happen!... WD8AUB. Needed only zone 23 for a sweep on 40, found out after test my neighbor worked it!... K8MFO. Babysitting slowed me down but I caught a JA run while the kids napped... KQ7I. 40 was fantastic!!... N8BC (and many others). 80 sounded like 20... K0RF, W0UA op. Does anyone make a 10 Hz CW filter?... WA7WOC. We all experience occasional power failures, but would you believe 8 in one weekend!... K9QVB. Where are all the VK's and ZL's?... K8EF. Look forward to CQ WW every year even though I have to use low power with small antennas from my apartment... WB8YJF.

Packet radio was a big help... K4JPD. Is this the highest US score with no packet?... K4VX/0. Decided to go Multi-Multi at 20 hours into the contest... NB1H. Packet makes contesting more fun... K1GW. Great way to test a new Yagi!... K3BSY. One of the most frustrating things is the failure of "hot-shot" stations to identify for long periods... W3VT/4. Surprised how well a small antenna works on top band... K3UA. Note the drawings on the back of most log pages. My 4.5-year-old daughter enjoyed the contest too!... K1RX. Biggest thrill was VS6DO calling me Sunday AM... KM1X. It's getting too tough to wrestle the station away from my 9-year-old N1HFO... K1SA. Nice working BY1PK on 40M... KS1L. Cannot burn ice off antenna with 5 watts!... VE1AGZ. Ten meters is alive again, yea!... WA1FCN. QRP in contest always thrilling—77 different countries, 28 zones!... W8VSK. Missed my own country—OOPS!!... KA3CRC. First CQ WW contest; can't wait till next year... N2GZL. Had a bad cold, keyer broke, new antenna looked good; worked bad—great contest!... WB6JMS. Worked last few contacts for 5BDXCC... WA1LVW.

DX QRM

Unfortunately, same problem as in SSB—job! But vy good propagation on 10/15 meters... SP5TT. Thanks for contest. Very enjoyed 80. A lot of W's came in with good signals... OH1PY. This year I was celebrating the 70th anniversary of Finland with OF6 callsign... OF6YF. Worked only 80 W input, no TVI!... OK3DG. This year 28 MHz was not open to VK, but instead shortly to JA... OH3TY. Worked two new countries, TX and FY on 1.8 MHz... SP5GH. After 7 years on VHF, returned back to HF. What a difference!... YU3ZV.

A good 40 meter band and lots of W's made a good score... I4IND. Unfortunately, it was a sudden break-down in the pre-driver stage of my TR-7... HA9RE. Past history as a navy intercept opr. just keeps me tuning for new ones... SV0AA. Five days DXpedition to Crete to take part in the contest. Good cndx on 160 meters... SV1NA/9. I operated only 25 hours with about 100 W out, dipoles for 80 and 40 at 15 meters and a vertical lying on the roof... IS0XIE. Was glad to work many new countries for my 5BDXCC. Better cndx on 10 but not 160–80 than last year... UP3BO. I was very pleased to work on 160 M for first time... UA9WZ. Good cndx on 80 M for Japan and USA. Many trx for a fine contest... UA2FGA. Nice to work in the pileups. CU next year!... UA2FZ.

Thanks for good contest. It's my first from home position!... UP0BA. Thanks nice contest. My best wishes to the contest committee!... UP2NK/UF. Too much QRM from all the strong European stations... CT1YH. Excellent contest, congratulations!... CT1CWT. My very first entry in a CQ WW CW as single op/all band—have a lot to learn and improve the antenna... F6BEE. RF got into clock—time was 11 minutes fast the first morning... G3XVR. Many calls from DX when calling CQ, including W6!... DK5AD. Best HF cndx for years... GM3RAO. Cndx good on all bands. Enjoyed every minute... G3ESF.

WW fever turned into a genuine 100 F fever on Friday... PA3BUD. N3JT/HK0 said that bloody mosquitoes were devouring him! I hope he is still alive... F6AUS. Another good weekend for fishing. See you next year!... OZ8AE. VFB 40 M openings to states both via short and long path... HB9CIP. I believe 235K points are enough for my age (75) Hi!... DL1TH. Could not avoid sleeping in school the next morning... DL3NCI. Power troubles let work only 13 hours. Hope next year things run better... CU3AA. My CW filter was like a swimming pool. I'll have to buy a better one... EA1DWI. On bands since 1926! (81 years old)... F8TM. Good to get past the first page on 28 MHz... G4BUO. Great fun! Boy do I need a beam... G3NKS. Biggest thrill was listening to own echos traveling around the world in the morning when using QSK... DL4AAE.

Got to wondering how many others were using old equipment. How about a museum station award!... G3GGS. Nice to work KG6DX on long path despite the furious European QRM... F6BBJ. My first contest ever, but it's surely not my last!! Keep up the good work... OZ1BIZ.

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Meeting so many old friends from 5Z4KL days, also working across the pond on 160 for the first time with a limited power/antenna system... GM3VLB. Nice to work zone 36—9Q5NW with big signal... CT1AOZ. Used to practice fly fishing for last couple of years instead of contesting. Probably going to change my mind... DK6QX. Mrs. Propy is clearly the number 1 in this contest, yet I hope to beat her soon with the help of Mr. Sun... EA2BLH. 40 M quad did not stay up in the air from last year, hence the entry on 15 M... G4CNY. My first CW contest, a lot of new countries... DL3SBI.

Spent half a day cutting radials (50). It was worth the effort... DL3HAH. Was good to hear the W's pounding in again... G3HCT. First time I have entered a contest. Wife and kids carried meals to shack for 48 hours... GM4VJV. Computer-assisted CW far too fast at times... GM0IIO. It is great that we no longer have the handicap of 160 meters... OZ1LO. Thanks for the contest with many DX stations on the air... PA0SKP. Many new ones for DXCC... PA3DMH. Always a pleasure to shake "keys" with old friends... GW3JI. Mni stations with big signals but no ears!... HB9DDZ. Biggest thrill to stand up after 42 hour contest and only 5 hours sleep, because of the university! Thanks for nice contest... DL4BBO.

Without CW filter, first time I enter the contest with very much modest equipment... EA5BQG. The best contest!... F6GCP. Enjoyed every minute... G3ESF. If only I could have worked all those I heard on 160!... TR1G, op. TR8JLD. Tnx to all those stations who only worked me once... SM0AJU, op. 5H3BH. 75N 95W is not the place to be during a DX contest... VE8CDX. The hard disk of my computer broke during log processing... OH5XT, op. EA8XS. Listened twenty minutes to a station in zone 24; never got his call because he never sent it!... VE3NBE. Extreme QRN on 40 and 80 allowed me a few hours sleep... ZS6BSZ. Surprised at the lack of S. American activity on 40M... KG6DX. Next year hope to have better antenna, high power or better propagation, whichever is cheaper... KD6TB/KH2.

I need this contest to help my DXCC... YC3HCM. Great to work the rare DX... VU2REC. A great contest! Pity I had to take time off to eat and sleep... VK8AV. Long way to travel for a contest but worth it... KY0T, op. ZD9CM. In spite of my visual disability I was able to make 803 QSOs... VU2TTC. What a thrill to be on the end of a 10M pileup!... ZC4EE. Was mistaken for a terrorist by the security police when working on aerials at 03Z... 4Z4DX, op. ZC4DX. Still can't believe I didn't hear zones 9, 14 or 38... KH2F. I had an important appointment in the USA but decided not to miss the fun and postponed it until next week... HZ1HZ (We all appreciate it, Ahmed!—eds.). Glad to catch D44BC and LU1ZA... VE6APN.

I will return to Belau for the '88 contest... JE1JKL, op. KC6CS. My first CQ WW CW contest, FB!... DU3BAA. Murphy, who's that?... TA1KA/2. Operated from a hotel room on the north shore of Oahu... WR6M/KH6. Thank God for CW filters, memory keyers and computers in that order... VO1QU. Only three new countries because of power line damage after 20 hours... YC2UDH. As usual a great contest!... VE7DLM. Low band antennas must be improved!... OH2KI, op. 5L7U. 40M was best to states around 07Z... 9L1GG. Hope to have a beam and 80M dipole next year... CT3CU. The phone kept ringing! Fun contest... DU1KWT. Worked USA on 10!... VU2ZAP, op. VU2Z. Good propagation on 10... EA8ABR. I'm afraid I could not break the world record with my inverted vee and barefoot xcvr... EA8BLC.

Having to work first 10 hours and having uninvited guests sure puts a crimp in time... YB3ASQ. Was going to pick USA ops as the best until I did the dupe sheets. JA's still #1... K5BDX, op. YJ0A. Lost 40M beam on Thursday so decided to go single band... ZS6BCR. Just received the CN8 ticket... WA4UAZ, op. CN8FC. Propagation unfortunate this year on 20M... JY5DP. Thanks to a good 10M opening, a better result than last year... YB0ATB/3. First single band effort in a long time... YB0ARA. Top band poor until last 2 hours of test, then excellent... VE3INQ. This is my first CW contest for last 5 years... YB1BZ. Exciting

to discover DX on 1.8 ... PA2DXY. We made our own new record, a million better than last year ... OF1AF.

No motor indication on 40M Yagi. We had to look outside, but that was another story during darkness ... F5IN. Old equipment still going strong (Drake C-line) ... DJ4AX. Fantastic contest! ... SP2PMO. We exchanged the comfort of our Jersey hotel to operate from the ladies bathroom at a snow-covered campsite in Luxembourg! ... G0AAA/LX. Beat the old KL7 record by nearly a million points ... NL7G. Putting up all the antennas in 1 week and then down in 1 day ... EA9EA. I was very sorry we couldn't be running on 20M band on Saturday evening because of interference to experiments ... JA2YKA.

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HS0A: HS1AOR, HS1ALV, HS1AMH, K3ZO, DL7MAE. HZ1AB: G4WZI, KB6SSW, N4KT, W7SE. IK2EGL & I2VXJ, I1XP0, I1ZEU. IY1TMM: IK1HLI, 2nd op. JA1YAO: Hisaya, Gemae, Boke. JA2YAC: JJ2PAJ, JK2RJO, JK2SBA, Bito, Iwakura, Kinpara, Matsumoto, Oba, Sahashi, Sato, Toyama, Tozuka, Wada. JA2YEF: JF2ACB, JF2NFC, JI2LPD, JI2SIC, JI2LYF, JI2VFE, Okumura, Yamamoto. JA3YBF: JA9UXW, JH9JFH, JH9GRM, JI2ICA, JI3IMX, JI3KGS, JN1DPL, JO1IPS, JO3DWD. JA4YJA: JE4DNQ, JG6PAF, JJ3LJU. JA7YAA: JE3DDT, JE4KZZ, JE7HFL, JE7QCQ, JH0ORW, JJ3CNL, JM1ONJ, JN1VYN, JP1EIR. JA7YAB: JH0MGJ, JJ1NNJ, JQ1HKN. JA7YFB: JE7WJB, JF7AAD, JF7LEI, JF7TDN, JG7HMD, JH0TUH, JN1RAN, JQ1NBV, JR7RLB, JR7WFB, JR0NUJ. JA8YBY: JH8GFB, JH8WBR, JR8DQB, JJ2VXS, JO1DFG. JA9YAA: JG2KKG, JN3QCB. JA9YBA: JA9LNU, JA9OTX, JA9PPC, JA9VDA, JH9VSF, JA9-10148.

JA9YAK: JS1PTU, JE7GWO, JE7UXP, JH0ELL, JH0NVX, JH0MVU, JH0OPX, JH0DPM, JH0RGJ, JH0SDA, JH0TJU, JH0VWV, JH0USD, JH0XUP, JH0XGL, JH0VYG, JR0CDR, JR0DVM, JR0XEY, JA9VSX, Saga, Tuchiya, Chinda, Hatori, Sekine, Nitta, Wada. JE2YRD: JA2E2D, JA7RHJ, JF2VZU, JI2KVV, JM1LRQ, JR2SJC, JR2SQU. JE3ZFS: JG3WBB, JI3JGJ, JK3HZH. JE6ZIH: JA6QJG, JF6DEA, JF6TMH, JG6CVO, JH6DCH, JH6NBN, JR6GKT, JR6NXX. JH1YDT: JH4UTP, JK1PIV, JO1HSX, JO1IDL. JH4YNT: JF6BPL, JM3ILK, JR4KTO. JJ1ZXE: JA1RIZ, JO1SYQ. JR1ZTT: JN1MSO, JO1MWR, JR4WVK, JR5PMI, JF7WED. K10G & Net. K1GQ & K1AR, K1JX, K1CF, K1A, AA2Z. K1IU & Net. K2TD & Net. K3IE & N3ARK, KB3MM. K3KG/4 & Net. K3NZ & Net. K300 & W2P. K3UEI & Net. K3WW & Net. K4CEF & Net. K4MF & Net. K4XR & Net. K5TQ & W6NK. K8AZ & K8MR, K8NZ, N8AA, K8QM, K8RY, W8HSK, W8KIC, W8BPH. KA1CB & Net.

KA1KPH & NC1B. KA1X & AK1L. KE6WL & Net. KL7HKX: AL7HW, KL7AF, KL7YI. KL7RA & AL7CQ, AL7HC. KM1C & NK1F, W1PH. KQ20 & K2BK. KS3F & NE3F. KT10 & Net. KY1H & NBYI, KB1W, KY1K, NJ1T, NT2X, N1EMG. LZ1KKI: Vassilev, Komsalov, Dimitrov. LZ1KNP: I. Iliev, D. Iliev. LZ1KRC: Pavlov, Dinu, Bolanov. LZ1KTM: Kozeteb, Kzastev. LZ2KSO: LZ1F-156, LZ1F-230, Georgiev. LZ9A: LZ2PO, LZ2DF, LZ2CC, LZ2HE. N1AU & Net. N2MM & Net. N2RM & WA2HGM, N2ME. N3BB/5 & W5DN, W5VZL, N25A. N3RS & N3RD, K3JUG, N3AK, N3BNA, K3TM. N4RJ & K4PI, KM9P. N4WW & K6LUZ, KU4J. N5RM & W6SJ. N6JV & Net. N6OU & Net. N6RO & K3EST, W6GEV, N6BG, N6IG, N6NE. N6VV & K6XV, K6PJY. N8LM/4 & K0HLB, W0MHS, W4SPB. NC1B & Net. NF2L & Net. NH6L & N5CT, NH6MQ, Ernie. OF1AF: OH1EB, OH1EH, OH1HS, OH1KA, OH1NOA, OH1NSJ, OH1WF, OH6LI. OF2BAH: OH2PO, OH2BAH, OH2BKF, OH2BMD. OF2NQ: OH2BCI, OH2BFP, OH2BIG, OH2BQW, OH2BUQ, OH2LQ, OH2NRV.

OH1AD: OH1EG, OH1EP, OH1BSJ, OH1SX. OH2TI: OH1JL, OH2BSI, OH2BZY, OH5BA, OH6DD. OH7AB: Club. OK2DOD: OK2BDI, OK2WAZ, OK2BHM. OK2KMR: OK2BQZ, OK2-30624, OK2-31057, OK2SAA. OK3KGO: OK3CLL, OK3ZCD, OK3ZBQ. OK5R: OK1ADM, OK1ADS, OK1ALW, OK1AWZ, OK1DIM, OK1RI. OK5W: OK1AEZ, OK1AAU, OK1AIJ, OK1APJ, OK1TA, OK1TN, OK1CF, OK1WT. ON6AH & ON4GO, ON6MH, ON6QR, ON6VL. OZ1ALS: OZ1KVF, OZ1LPR, FE1JDB/OZ. OZ5EDR: OZ3ON, OZ8SW. PA0KHS & PA3ADJ, PA3ERA, PA8AHO, PA4FCG. PA2QXY & PA8VDV. PI4DEC: PA3AWW, PA3BXD, PA3CZW, PA3ENO, PA3ERA, PA8TUK. PJ2JC: K1XM, KQ1F. RF0FWW: Club. RL7PZ: UL7PCU, UL7PEA, UL7PHB, UL7PO, UL7-23-7, RL7PEO. RL8PYL: UL7PAE, UL7PAZ, UL7PCZ, RL7PHL, RL7PKN. RZ4HWW: UA4HBR, UA4HEM, UA4HNO. RZ9OWA: UA9OF, UA9QFB, UA9OLW, UA9145-207.

SK5EU: SM5ODD, SM7DUU, SM4KWO, SM5LZM. SL0CB: SM6LRR, SM3LGO, SM0MLL, SM0NSJ, SM3NSK, SM5OHI, SM0PHU, SM0NZY. SM2OJR & SM2JVH, SM2GYP. SP2KQU: SP2BAS, SP2HPD, SP2EWO, SP2JEO. SP2PMO: SP2JS, SP2JKS, Karol. SP2ZFJ: SP2ASJ, SP2FAP, SP2LNNW. SP2ZHB: SP2AYC, SP2BIK, SP2HJL. SP5PBE: SP5ANJ, SP5ELA, SP5GIG, SP5JTF, SP5JTM. SP7KWW: SP7HOR, SP7LSE, SP7HOV. SP8KBM: SP8GNI, SP8HZZ, ex-SP8GQU, ex-SP8ARY. SP8PFI: SP8ONW, SP8LBO. SP9KUZ: SP9DCH. SP9PKR: SP9LAM, SP9LAD, SP9RPT. UB0SZ: UB5SFB, UB5SBN, UB5SBZ. UB3IWA: RB5II, UB5IFZ, UB5IMZ, UB5IOK. UB3JWW: Club. UB4CWA: Club. UB4CWW: RB5CB, RB5CW, UB5CCN, UB5CCP, UB5-80-70, UB5-80-532. UB4CXU: UB5CBU, UB5CDX, UB5CKA. UB4DWW: Club. UB4EXU: UB5EJB, UB5EOD, UB5EPT. UB4EYN: UB4EN, UB5-60-759, UB5-60-2786. UB4FWC: Club. UB4FWH: RB5FH, UB5FCK, UB5-70-265.

UB4FXX: UB5FJA, UB5-70-321, UB5-70-507. UB4IWI: RB4ITG, RB5ICY, UB5IHS. UB4IWN: UB4IRI, UT5SI, UB5-73-3578. UB4IZA: UB3IBZ, UB5ITC, UB5-73-3137. UB4JXT: Club. UB4LWY: UB4LEZ, UB4LFB, UB5-77-1785. UB4MWU: UB4MWU, UB5MBM. UB4QWV: Club. UB4QWW: RB5QW, UB5QDU, UB5-64-866. UB4RWW: Club. UB4TWL: Club. UB4WWA: UB5-68-799, UB5-68-1041. UB4WXZ: Vlad, Vlad, Alex. UB4WYA: UB5WCG, UB5WDW, UB5-68-309, UB5-68-946. UB4WZB: Pozigun, Petrenko. UB4XWB: UB5-62-56, UB5-62-240. UC1AWB: RC2AZ, UC2AAX, UC2ADX, UC3AA, UC2-188-99. UC1AWP: Alex, Andrew, Jim. UC1AWZ: RC2AP, UC2-188-40, UC2-188-41, UC2-188-123, UC2-188-148. UF7QWW: UF6QAU, UF6QAW, UF6QR. UL8BWW: UL7BB, UL7BAG, UL7BBQ, UL7BBW, UL7BY, UL7-16-389. UL8CWA: Club. UL8CWW: Mich, Alex, Vlad. UP1BWG: UP2BLF, UP2BZ, UP2DT.

UP1BWW: UP0BA, UP2BKW, UP2BMW, UP2BIJ, UP2PX, UP2-38-1244, UP2-38-1052. UP1BXR: UP2BN, UP2BPI, UP2BJK. UP1BYC: UP2-38-2505, UP2-38-2504. UP1BYK: UP2BFF, UP2BJV. UP1BZA: UP2BIM, UP2BLW, UP2BNT, UP2OX, UQ2GJH, UQ2GNL, UR2RDZ, UP2-38-1734. UP1BZG: UP2QA, UP2BCO, UP2BCW, UP2BCT, UP2BRJ, UP2BOC, UP2-38-439. UP1BZL: UP2BBL, UP2BNW. UP1BZM: UP2NK, UP2-38-1787. UP1BZM/A: UP2-38-1787, UP2-38-1820. UP1BZO: UC2IAP, UC2IDR, UP2BFN, UP2BMX, UP2BOQ, UP2BNC, UP2-38-346, UP2-38-1751. UP1BZO: UP2BAT, UP2BMO, UP2-38-1682. UQ1GWW: RQ2GG, UQ2GAG, UQ2OI, UQ2GLK, UQ2GOU, UQ2-37-116, UQ2-37-83. UR1RWX: UR2RJ,



TNX to the boys at VE2LJ for handing out zone 2.

UR2RRR, UR2RDJ, UR2RHF, UR2RNA, UR2RNX, UR2-83-165, UR2-83-1005. UR1RXX: Club. UT4UWL: UT5UJO, UT5-186-205. UT4UXW: UB5CGN, UL7LER, UT4UX, UT4UZ. UB8AXX: UA0AGI, UA0AMA, UA0AFC, UA0-103-712, UA0-103-729, UA0-103-235. UB8CWW: Club. UB8FWA: UA0FAD, UA0FFH, UA0FGF.

UB8FWD: UA0FER, UA0-153-280, UA0-153-378, UH8-44-21. UB8JWA: UA0JA, UA0JAB, UA0JB. UB8LWO: UA0LGG, UA0LD, UA0LS. UB8LWX: RA0LDX, UA0-107-888, UA0-107-770. UB8OWO: Club. UB8QWA: UA0QDL, UA0QN, UA0QAS, UA0-98-113, UA0-98-107. UB8QWF: UA0QFR, UA0QGX, UA0QII. UB8SWA: Club. UB8SXC: UA0SME, RA0SIF, RA0SHT, UA0SNY. UB8AWO: RA1AW, UA1AAF, UA1AKC. UB8AWT: RA1CA, UA1ALZ, UA1ANA. UB8CXF: Club. UB8DWW: UA10AA, UA1-113-31, UA1-113-69. UB8NWA: UA1NDI, UN1-88-391, UN1-88-525. UB8NWF: UA1NBN, UN1-88-24, UN1-88-302. UB8PWA: UA1PBA, UA1POL, UA1-114-26. UB8TWW: UA1TAE, UA1TEI, UA1UM. UB8VWA: Club. UB8AWR: RW3AO, UA3AO, UA3ABJ, UA3ABJ, UA3AHP, UA3ASL, UW3GC, RA3AX, UA3-170-377. UB8AXH: Alex, Slav, Vlad. UB8AXX: Club. UB8QWM: UA3QAO, UA3-121-2913, UA3-121-3109.

UB8TYE: Club. UB8TZA: Club. UB8WWW: Club. UB8FWA: UA4FAT, UA4FZ, UA4-148-363, UA4-148-481. UB8LXA: UA4LR, UA4LW, UA4LNN. UB8WWA: UA4WA, UA4WEJ, UA4-95-683, UA4-95-729, UA4-95-754. UB8WWB: Club. UB8LWZ: UA6LV, UA6LUQ, UA6-150-1336, UA6-150-1403. UB8LXM: UW6OE, UA6-150-945, UA6-150-1345. UB8LXP: Club. UB8YWB: Club. UB8AWD: RA9AFX, UA9AMG, UA9AQN. UB8AYA: UA9AKI, UA9QCC, UL7LT, UM8NR, UW9AR, RL7LCX, RL7LES, Serge. UB8CWB: RA9CIB, UV9CAI, UA9-154-973. UB8CWW: UA9CBP, UA9CDC, UA9CIU. UB8CYP: UA9CUA, UA9-154-2105, UA9-154-2106. UB8QWM: Club. UB8SWT: UA9SAF, UA9SBM, UA9SBU, UA9SDB, UA9SGS, UA9SJV. UB8SWY: UA9SHO, UA9SAW, UA9SJV, RA9SVT, UA9TS, UA9TZ. UB8UWK: Club. UB8XWV: UA9XC, UA9-90-393, UA9-90-1053, UA9-90-1058. UB8XWW: UA9-90-601, UA9-90-622, UA9-90-644. UB8XXM: UA9XF, UA9-90-400.

V31A: K0RWL, K0BG, K0BU, WB9JUI, WB9JLC. VE2LJ & VE1BHA, VE3SMA. VE2UL & VE2WA. VE30XT & VE3NZO. VE7UBC: VE3HTT, VE7CMK. VE7ZZZ: VE7AV, VE7ARS, VE7DP, VE7EOC, VE7SK. VP5W: K6ANP, K6KX, W6OSP, WW6F. VU2TEC: VU2FOY, VU2NJZ, VU2TEJ, VU2TER. W0NA & W0AR, W0CY, W0YR, W0ZL. W0RLX & N0BI. W1GG & Net. W1PH & Net. W2UI & N3KR. W3AZ & Net. W3BG & KM3T, N3ED, K2TW. W3GG & K3RT, K3YGU. W3XU & Net. W4FX & W2GW, N4SZ, WA4JWS. W6BA & N6AV. W6BIP & K1A/6. W6ERS & Net. W6OAT & W5SS, W6SZN. W8ZF/4 & Net. WA3JZ & Net. WA4CTC & Net. WA4KIL & Net. WA4QOV & WA4QMO. WA8DXG & W8JGU, WA8BIN, N8DCJ, NY8P. W81CNM & N1BVZ. W83CAC & Net. W84GNT & Net. W86R & AK6T, K4UVT, K16EZ, N86L, K6ZM, JM1CAX. W66N & W6UOF.

Y31CE: Y23HE, Y31UE, Y31PE. Y34K: Y24UK, Y23EK, Y22TK, Y42L, Y42MK, Y35L: Y26BL, Y26IL, Y26WL, Y33UL, Y33VL. Y37CB: Y37ZB, Y37WB, Y37RB, Y37QB. Y41CA: Y41ZA, Y41YA, Y41TA, Y21FA, Y23BA, Y23JA. Y42CB: Y42ZB, Y23GB, Y42WB. Y45CM: Y45ZM, Y45WM. Y66CA: Y66ZA, Y66XA. [YB0ZAB: YB0BMT, YC0KLP, YC0QR, YC0EMJ, YD0HWH, YD0RVG. YT2B: YU2NK, YU2VR, YU2DU, YU4IEF, YU2RS01. YT3T: YU3BQ, YU3HR, YT3EW, YT3VT. YT4D: YU4LA, YU4FA, YU4NC, YU4RS1036. YT4M: YU4BR, YU4WW, YU4GB, YU4CB, Goran, Zoki, Gordan, Dan, Darko. YT5R: YU5OC, YU5GB, YU5RS109, YU5RS126, YU5JA. YU3AI & YU3BM, YU3EO, YT3WW. YT3T: YU3BQ, YT3EW, YT3VT, YU3HR, YT3NA. ZS1CT: ZS1HAX, ZS1JX, ZS1QM. 4N2D: YU2FK, YU2TL, YU2WQ, YU2CQ, YT2ID, YT2DU, YU2BHI. 4N4D: Zijadic, Bralo, Tokic.

STATION OPERATORS MULTI-OPERATOR MULTI-TRANSMITTER

DA1WA: DA1LO, DA2HS, DA2HX, DA2JL, DJ0LC, DJ1MU, DJ9CB. DL0KF: DF3LP, DF3LZ, DF6LH, DJ2BV, DJ3UL, DJ4FZ, DJ4SO, DJ6TK, DJ6TN, DJ7SW, DJ8HB, DK5TI, DK8LD, DK8LE, DK9AV. EA9EA: EA4CPX, EA4MY, EA5BRA, EA7BUD, EA7LQ, EA7TL, EA7XC, EA9EO, EA9EU, EA9GK. G0AAA/LX: G3SXW, G3TXF, G3WVG. J6DX: KA9QYA, K6GXX, NC8Q, W8ILC, W8PR, W8RKL, W8WVP, W8ENR, W8IXE. JA1YXP: JH0RRR, JH9CAV, Y. Kaihatsu, N. Youso, H. Oyagi, Y. Sasaki, E. Ogawa. JA2YKA: JE2JCV, JE2VBZ, JE2VYM, JE4LIK, JE7BIZ, JF2DQJ, JF2UTL, JG2MTC, JG2VTD, JG3OET, JH2QXG, JI2UHH, JI1MVV, JK2CZL, JR7OMD, Kei. JA3YKC: JA3ODC, JA2VUP, JA5GZB, JH4RHF, JI3ERV, JH4PAM, JG3HLV, JR4PMX, JE6LPM, JG3CPF, JG3MRT, JG3WON, JR5ARQ, JG6VTM, JR5WLA, JF3VXV, JO3LSH, JF4IXU, JR5PDU, Ninomiya. JE1YEM: JA8OPG, JA5BXW, JA7PHV, JF1PHY, JH1IZR. K1GW & Packet.

K4JPD & K4FD, N4DWW, NQ4I. K4VX/B & K9BGL, K9FD, KA0GGI, NA9D, NS0Z, NU9R. KP2A & AA6AA, K0RF, K1ZM, K2EK, K5VT, K7V, N2AA, N2IC, N6DX, N7BG, W0UA, W6MSG, W6OUL, W7CB, WB3JRU, WZ6Z. LX9BV: DF4RD, DF8WS, DJ1US, DL2NBU, DL4NAC, DL4ZBK, DL6FBL, DL6RAI, DL8ZBR, LX1JP, LX1WW. N1CQ & AG9A, K1BW, K9ZO, KC1Q, KA1GOW, KA1XN, KD2SX, KI2P, KM1P, W1ETH. N3LR & K3ZA, KD3DM, KR3W, N3FOB, N3NA, NJ3A. N4ZC & AA4S, K2SD, N9CC, W4NUS, WA8MAZ. N6ND & AA6RX, K6JYO, KA6SAR, K16MS, KV6O, K26E, N6CW, N16W, WA6OTU. NB1H & K1FWE, K1MNS, K1ST, W1IHN. NL7G & KL7PJ, KL7U, KL7Y, NL7GP, WL7Y. NR5M & K2TNO, K2UA, K2UA/XYL, K5GA, K5GN, K5LZO, K5MA, K5TU, K5IV, K5U, KN5H, KZ5M, N5DU, N5EA, NT5D, W5ASP, W9AGH, WB5N. OH1AA: OH1DL, OH1HD, OH1KO, OH1LD, OH1LF, OH1MD, OH1NHU, OH1SV, OH1SW, OH1SY, OH1WR, OH6DO. OK7AA: OK3CMZ, OK3CSC, OK3CZM, OK3TPV, OK3LU, OK3TJI, OK3CBU, OK3CLD, OK3LZ, OK3YX, OK3CSQ, OK3TCR, OK3TCJ, OK3CUM, OK3COW, OK3CEI, OK3CDV, OK3EA, OK3CEM, OK3MB, OK3YEC, OK3TCL, OK3TMM, OK3JW.

PA3ACA & PA3ALP, PA3AQL, PA3BWD, PA3CAL, PA3ELX, PD0MCL. PA6DX: PA0COR, PA0ERA, PA0JMH, PA0LV, PA0VAJ, PA3ABA, PA3BAS, PA3BFM, PA3CEE, PA3CEF, PA3CTM, PA3CWM, PA3DFT, PA3DOW, PA3DWD. UP7A: UP2BAW, UP2BIG, UP2BIL, UP2BRF, UP2CY, UP2PAJ, UP3BF. VE3RCS: VE3DXY, VE3KFS, VE3PJL, VE6MBX. W0AIH/9 & K0FVF, KM8O, KN0V, W0UC, W0ABRW, W0ASVR. W3GM & K3GM, K3LZ, K3ND, K3RL, N2EA, N3RG, W3FV. W3LPL & A13M, G4KFT, K3RA, KE9A, KT3Y, N8II, ND3A, N3W, NWSE, W3EKT, W02EKK, W04AXM. YB4ZZ: YC4GAP, YD4HLO. YT2R: YU2DO, YU2HO, YU2IR, YU2KM, YU2LJ, YU2MM, YU2MY, YU2NJ, YU2OG, YU2OH, Kreso, Robert. YZ1U: YU1BL, YU1FY, YU1JW, YU1UN, YU1UY, YU1XA, YU1XX, YU1XV, YU1ZZ, Aco, Djuro, Mire, Neso.

WORLD TOP 10 QRP

(5w output)

All Band

1. VE7DX	687,690	6. LZ2QV	282,741
2. YU3BC	512,148	7. RA1AL	253,344
3. G4ELZ	359,883	8. W8VSK	248,638
4. RT4UB	340,380	9. UA4LDJ	240,100
5. UB5WAB	310,764	10. UD6DFF	227,700

Team Contesting

1. Team America (P40GD, 9Q5NW, D44BC, 5B4TI, XE2MX)	30,525,064
2. Team Scandinavia (FY5YE, CR9BZ, EA8XS, 5L7U, OH0BH)	29,841,252

Number groups after call letters denote following: Band (A = all), Final Score, Number of QSOs, Zones, and Countries. Certificate winners are listed in boldface.

CW RESULTS SINGLE OPERATOR NORTH AMERICA

UNITED STATES

K1EA	A	3,961,980	2608	144	378
W1KM	"	3,885,464	2464	144	392
K1TO	"	3,444,319	2236	135	394
K1CC	"	3,194,147	2091	141	386
K1XA	"	2,318,818	1755	124	333
K1VR	"	2,227,980	1678	129	341
KS1J	"	1,190,226	1275	93	233
W1BIH	"	1,057,032	881	121	303
W1FJ	"	926,094	870	104	279
W1WAI	"	754,280	784	98	248
KA1DWX	"	728,330	735	100	246
K1RX	"	675,402	870	69	204
KF3N/1	"	605,634	552	104	282
W1MK	"	517,845	765	64	173
WA1UDH	"	440,664	523	89	212
KG1D	"	369,252	495	81	184
N1ELN	"	361,514	474	76	195
NB1B	"	331,224	419	92	204
K1SA	"	316,110	429	76	181
K1CLN	"	296,468	391	86	188
W1BR	"	277,389	383	80	179
W1GIH	"	158,700	250	73	157
K1TR	"	146,730	266	72	129
KA1CLV	"	96,824	195	53	129
W3SOH/1	"	90,000	185	56	124
WA8SWM	"				
/1	"	86,668	177	67	121
K1NH	"	79,336	166	66	122
W1JR	"	53,583	122	58	101
N1DC	"	46,480	155	34	78
K1MEM	"	34,181	92	49	84
KR1R	"	29,596	109	34	84
AB1U	"	28,888	113	33	59
WA1LVW	"	28,595	114	33	62
WB2DND	"				
/1	"	23,500	83	35	65
KC1F	"	16,562	79	37	54
K1FIR	"	13,688	84	20	38
W1OPJ	"	8,732	58	19	40
W1PLJ	"	8,415	59	19	32
N1ACH	"	7,150	48	20	35
NM1K	"	4,982	43	19	28
K1ZZ	28	104,244	376	28	74
WA1FCN	"	25,272	125	19	53
W1AX	"	24,180	117	21	57
K1RM	21	395,508	971	35	103
W1WEF	"	373,320	938	34	102
KM1X	"	170,772	549	28	79
N1BUE	"	46,956	200	23	61
K1UD	14	502,152	1180	38	109
K1EFI	"	115,649	368	29	80
W1XN	"	109,120	431	27	61
K2MN/1	"	34,608	146	25	59
K8PO/1	7	257,312	647	34	102
KS1L	"	240,956	702	32	86
N1AC	"	204,620	539	35	95
W1FV	3.5	270,692	790	28	90
K1IK	"	6,292	52	12	32
N2LT	A	3,587,045	2272	146	393
W2REH	"	2,445,048	1603	141	381
NY2L	"	2,330,470	1640	130	352
K2LE	"	1,689,800	1239	130	346
W2VJN	"	1,684,254	1155	141	366
W2GD	"	1,049,846	916	118	295
					(Opr. KU2C)
W2TZ	"	514,567	761	71	168
K2FL	"	416,292	480	94	213
W2GGE	"	332,985	417	92	189

K2QIL	"	327,366	498	65	169
KX2A	"	308,568	402	96	180
N2AZS	"	306,250	452	78	152
W2FTY	"	217,550	346	73	156
WA2ORX	"	183,065	285	81	154
N2AIF	"	177,840	270	74	166
WA2ASQ	"	168,586	315	60	134
W2AWF	"	112,689	232	49	122
W2DW	"	109,980	230	62	118
W2GKZ	"	109,382	228	62	120
KT2D	"	101,904	220	56	120
N2MR	"	88,500	186	58	119
W2IOB	"	71,189	139	71	123
KW2J	"	67,050	166	53	97
W2KHQ	"	53,328	147	42	90
K2SWZ	"	45,990	140	40	86
W2FUI	"	40,135	152	30	65
WA2UDT	"	28,576	111	31	63
N2FBV	"	28,100	96	13	87
WB2DVU	"	4,900	40	18	32
KK2B	"	3,520	30	16	28
KU2Q	28	46,228	178	27	64
KA2AEV	"	35,112	172	22	55
K2AW	"	15,841	83	21	52
W2KTF	"	4,158	37	14	28
WB2Q	21	280,960	762	33	95
K2MFY	"	98,645	309	29	80
K3JGJ/2	"	83,980	306	25	70
K2FE	"	32,544	121	22	74
K2SS	14	479,479	1136	37	106
N2MG	"	304,732	900	33	83
NG2X	"	274,048	737	34	94
W2HPF	"	252,018	742	33	84
W2AYJ	"	50,336	196	24	64
W2FYA	"	15,904	100	15	41
N2DT	7	315,530	806	35	103
K2DM	"	280,140	712	36	104
K8XR/2	"	143,635	436	31	84
NT2S	"	38,033	181	16	57
KD2RD	3.5	114,760	459	23	72
N2US	"	9,312	73	14	34
KN2Q	"	3,290	38	10	25
K5NA/2	1.8	17,940	121	18	51
NA2M	"	2,156	33	11	17
WB2ULI	"	1,560	20	10	16
N2KA	"	1,050	18	10	15
K2PH	"	348	15	5	7

WA3FQZ	"				
/AE	"	32,851	103	51	82
W3HDH	"	16,380	70	29	55
K3YGU	"	9,450	56	23	40
K3NL	"	7,920	48	28	44
W3FOE	"	3,762	35	15	23
K3WGR	28	18,240	109	19	41
K3JGJ	21	83,980	306	25	70
W3KHQ	"	8,556	68	14	32
W3KYN	14	11,040	66	21	39
WB3G/3	7	257,043	632	38	103
W3AP	"	204,490	577	33	88
N3BNA	3.5	21,846	121	16	50
K4JLD/3	"	14,796	97	13	41
WB3AVN	1.8	8,320	75	15	37
K3UA	"	6,144	56	16	32
K3ND	"	1,056	20	8	16

N6AR/4	A	2,507,960	1649	150	380
W4RX	"	2,507,115	1717	146	361
K4PQL	"	2,330,211	1790	123	324
W24F	"	1,758,708	1368	131	310
W3VT/4	"	1,680,445	1155	148	367
N4KG	"	1,629,994	1155	146	356
N4VZ	"	1,113,927	863	127	326
K4AMC	"	760,240	779	107	233
W24Z	"	671,274	626	129	272
K4XO	"	646,352	632	125	273
K4GKD	"	504,243	579	95	218
WB4BHH	"	480,248	504	109	237
W1UA/4	"	479,544	556	107	211
W9LT/4	"	459,780	534	96	220
N4XM	"	429,345	510	105	210
WB4MAI	"	389,610	410	114	237
W6OKX/4	"	377,975	422	104	221
N4TO	"	333,867	371	103	224
K4PB	"	329,896	401	91	210
AA4UJ	"	293,188	401	78	181
WF4F	"	259,740	363	90	170
AA4FF	"	233,981	354	73	166
W4DXI	"	228,864	325	82	174
N4MM	"	226,840	307	85	180
K4EZ	"	222,915	350	69	162
WB4AKE	"	197,396	300	80	164
KC3Z/4	"	174,669	259	85	152
KF4CI	"	173,016	270	79	164
N4PRV	"	126,560	217	74	150
K4OD	"	106,190	217	65	120
N4JF	"	95,850	181	86	127
W4YN	"	94,944	199	59	113
K4BAM	"	91,245	203	58	107
K4KUZ	"	51,294	115	67	99
K4JO	"	41,184	130	39	78
K5OTI/4	"	38,480	109	50	80
NN7A/4	"	34,832	110	37	75
W4OWJ	"	23,220	98	32	58
K4FPF	"	21,315	88	30	57
WS4F	"	20,685	78	37	61
W4KMS	"	20,286	81	37	61
W4JVN	"	13,464	69	23	49
K6ETM/4	"	12,411	75	19	44
N4LJS	"	10,721	65	27	44
K4PR	"	9,125	47	30	43
N4QKG	"	2,886	29	14	23
N4EJW	28	105,369	395	27	76
K1ZX/4	21	370,800	917	36	108
WB4TDH	"	278,720	716	32	102
N8GG/4	"	257,544	772	32	94
N4IR	"	162,120	527	27	78
KV4AM	"	25,718	116	25	52
K4CEB	"	15,336	80	23	48
K3RV/4	14	553,415	1244	39	112
WX4G	"	463,696	1201	37	109
N4MO	"	203,980	581	34	90
W4XJ	7	299,482	767	38	99
K4LTA	"	100,570	327	31	82
W4YE	"	89,139	242	35	94
N6BFM/4	"	37,048	152	28	60
KN4B	"	29,666	115	27	64
WB4IUX	"	28,724	122	25	61
W4NL	3.5	92,055	342	25	70

K14UZ	"	21,238	118	20	54
N4WJ	"	20,075	96	18	55
K4TEA	1.8	13,632	92	20	44
N4SU	"	9,686	66	19	39
W4DR	"	4,704	45	15	27
N4UH	"	4,346	46	15	26
N5AU	A	2,463,318	1645	159	363
			(Opr. WN4KKN)		
AD5Q	"	762,552	779	119	238
N5JB	"	692,152	692	121	238
N5TP	"	646,254	516	133	313
NT5G	"	547,027	540	122	255
K13L/5	"	532,416	693	103	179
N5AW	"	527,276	518	129	257
WA5IGD	"	366,047	437	101	210
WB5ZKR	"	325,888	461	85	171
K5DB	"	277,635	401	83	166
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NN5T	"	214,368	351	83	148
N5UA	"	212,368	351	83	148
K5FUV	"	208,854	316	87	156
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N5JEE	"	123,420	237	67	120
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AA5BT	"	102,087	189	71	128
N5GPP	"	80,685	184	63	103
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W5EJT	"	28,250	91	46	61
K5NV	"	21,150	97	40	54
WB5SSD	"	3,388	29	19	25
W5HRF	"	1,768	21	14	20
K9LA/5	28	13,975	78	22	43
N7RP/5	"	9,858	71	20	33
K5G0	21	451,764	1094	36	103
W5VX	"	421,850	1009	36	103
KA5W	"	323,963	865	32	99
K5TSQ	"	278,652	724	34	98
W5BOS	"	191,646	573	30	87
WD5F	"	92,983	319	32	75
WB5UDX	"	67,996	266	26	63
W5ASP	"	34,144	140	26	62
W5KCR	"	12,663	71	22	41
N5CR	14	408,480	946	37	111
W5FO	"	245,340	637	37	104
K5MK	"	62,532	206	30	78
K5RR	7	269,698	661	38	105
			(Opr. WD5K)		
KM5R	"	181,200	526	33	81
WF5E	"	84,564	279	34	74
W5WON	"	82,340	272	35	80
KN5S	"	4,662	45	12	25
K5RX	3.5	116,584	399	27	77
KD5IA	"	13,104	89	18	38
K5UR	1.8	28,635	148	26	57
K9MK/5	"	3,196	46	13	21
W6TMD	A	1,390,350	1253	138	253
W6G0	"	1,152,900	1136	130	236
W6REC	"	635,268	732	108	209
W6JTI	"	578,760	669	115	197
N6EK	"	519,684	739	101	153
W6FSJ	"	428,274	525	116	181
K6HIH	"	317,148	505	104	143
N6AN	"	281,980	455	88	142
K6DR	"	247,660	368	98	146
N2UN/6	"	245,105	378	94	141
W6UJX	"	221,598	344	94	140
W6NKR	"	199,800	315	77	143
KS6H	"	194,350	411	93	137
WA7G/6	"	190,080	337	79	137
K6ZUR	"	173,452	310	80	126
K6EID	"	143,792	262	89	126
K6LRN	"	142,662	280	66	111
K6GAO	"	136,183	272	80	111
W6EJJ	"	123,114	217	81	133
W6ISQ	"	119,730	223	76	119
W6VG	"	113,320	260	60	96
WW6D	"	77,760	228	57	78
N6IC	"	76,038	167	68	106
K6JG	"	66,248	138	74	108
AJ6V	"	61,787	183	62	71
W6ABW	"	61,364	201	53	63
K6YK	"	57,096	165	47	75
K6FO	"	55,522	147	62	80
AC6H	"	55,290	185	47	61
K9AGL/6	"	54,612	170	54	69
N6JMN	"	50,215	152	54	61
N6VR	"	50,213	122	62	81
WK6V	"	46,704	155	50	61
W6BZE	"	38,080	118	47	71
N6NF	"	32,218	130	39	56
K6TS	"	29,050	129	30	53
W6MFC	"	29,003	113	44	53
WA8LY/6	"	28,910	89	47	71
NE6I	"	27,966	90	45	73
AA4Q/6	"	19,135	77	42	47
K6KM	"	18,360	81	34	51
K6CSL	"	18,232	99	44	42
KK6P	"	17,052	64	38	60
W6CN	"	13,396	72	32	36
N6OM	"	12,685	79	21	38
WB6ITM	"	12,684	61	42	43
K6MA	"	6,254	42	26	33
WA6FGV	28	10,388	77	19	34
WB6MSF	"	4,181	44	15	26

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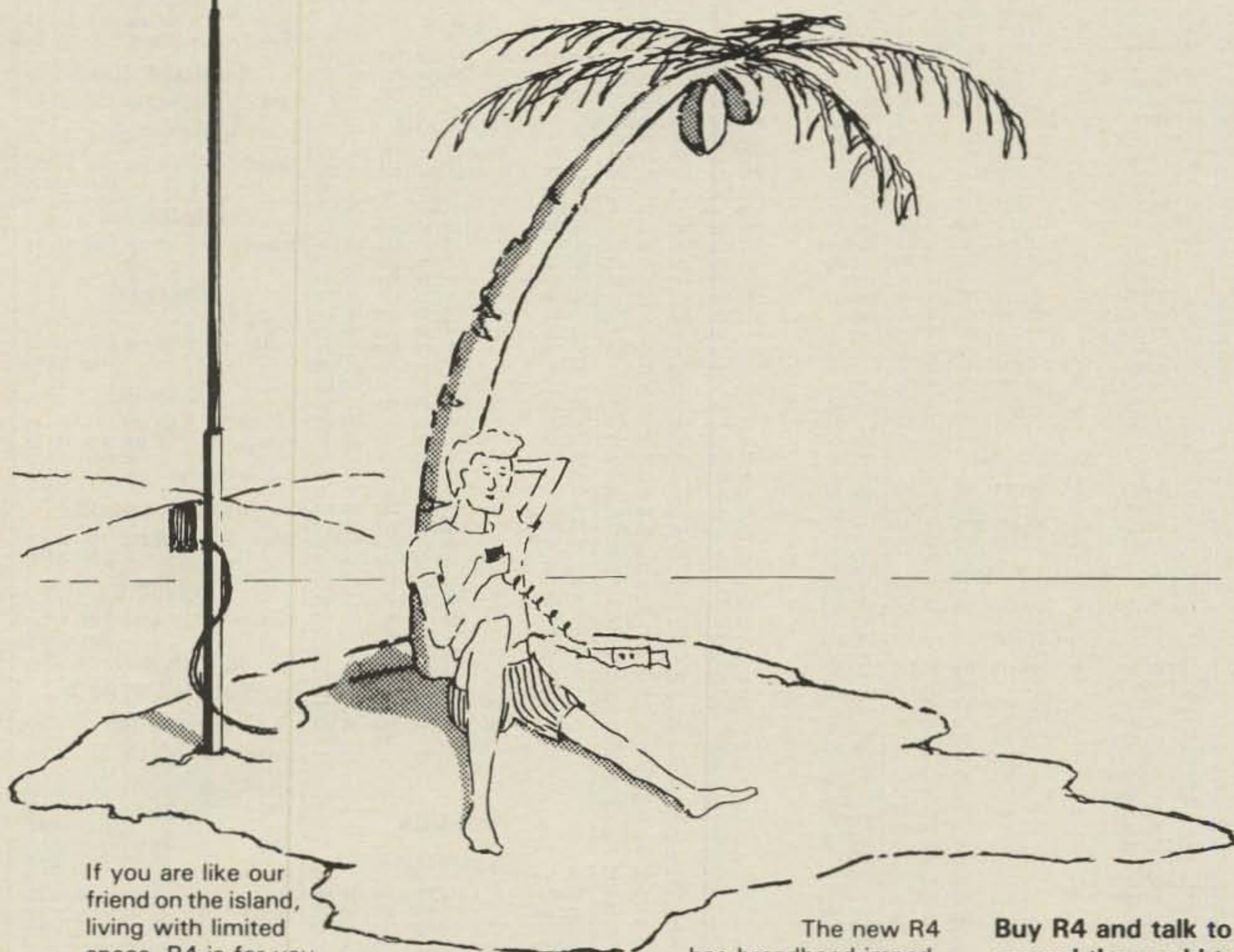
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9M2AX	A	20,064	119	42 46	UL7BN	"	97,180	260	62 110	2	VE8CDX	198,100	22	VU2TJW	1,167,680				
U.S.S.R. ASIATIC					RL7LCT	"	5,992	77	22 34	3	W6TMD	1,390,350	23	No entry					
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UG6GRA	28	20,904	182	10 29	UL7EAR	14	70,680	280	28 65	5	K1EA	3,961,980	25	JA5DQH	1,894,644				
UG6GGG	21	65,455	433	15 38	RL7ABK	"	32,400	221	15 39	6	XE2MX	1,785,470	26	No entry					
UG6GG	14	237,838	814	32 77	RL7GO	"	8,280	79	15 30	7	N3JT/HK0	2,875,839	27	KC6CS	2,618,226				
UG6GAW	1.8	103,016	498	18 61	UL7TCU	7	38,918	270	16 42	8	NP4A	7,247,448	28	9M6ZR	1,541,288				
ASIATIC RUSSIA					UL8GBI	"	8,178	82	14 33	9	FY5YE	8,201,163	29	VK8AV	1,012,971				
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RA9JX	"	701,811	1093	84 213	UL7TX	"	13,728	168	13 31	11	ZY8AA	1,156,480	31	AH6AZ	1,238,496				
UA9HTT	"	497,290	871	68 155	RL7LCV	1.8	7,328	99	9 23	12	CE1DM	640,209	32	TO8KPG	1,719,843				
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UA9XHJ	"	230,044	462	71 128	KIRGHIZ					14	G3MXJ	2,233,868	34	PA0GAM/ST2	422,592				
RA9FA	"	157,860	404	56 124	RM8MA	28	2,370	80	12 18	15	I4IND	4,188,034	35	D44BC	7,384,104				
UV9CC	"	122,120	280	52 120	UM8MRG	21	141,532	732	20 62	16	RU1DZ	1,481,193	36	9Q5NW	7,586,300				
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UA9YAD	"	55,627	227	34 109	UM8MBA	7	66,082	376	21 53	18	UA9YI	1,779,954	38	ZS6BSZ	1,008,730				
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UW9AU	"	48,900	183	37 63	TADZHIK					20	5B4TI	5,816,907	40	OX3KD	161,838				
UA9YJQ	"	35,200	140	39 71	UJ8AQ	28	4,716	65	14 22										
UW9CZ	"	32,604	171	22 56	UJ8JA	21	248,184	855	30 78										
UA9URF	"	18,224	131	26 42	UJ8JW	14	83,555	393	13 56										
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UA9NP	"	12,025	80	23 42	TURKOMAN														
RA9YG	28	154,521	651	29 68	RH8AA	7	13,920	135	13 27										
UA9QA	"	37,944	213	25 47	UZBEK														
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UA9QBT	"	6,840	71	13 25	UI9AWX	"	54,180	170	46 80	OK3FON	"	305,869	526	72 191	G4ODV	"	410,913	852	79 188
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UA9KK	21	88,938	505	26 55	UI8BAA	3.5	32,426	242	17 45	OK2TBC	"	193,584	366	72 150	G3ESF	"	304,410	643	65 154
UA9ULC	"	76,896	397	24 65	EUROPE					OK1EP	"	190,460	349	78 136	G3XVR	"	212,676	440	55 167
UA9UON	"	67,878	422	23 58	AALAND ISLANDS					OK3YCA	"	189,854	441	57 134	G3GGS	"	142,680	352	52 122
UW9YM	"	61,268	442	23 45	OH0BH	A	2,848,711	2697	153 434	OK3IAG	"	184,576	515	64 160	G60Q	"	111,941	367	48 109
UA9XHT	14	95,508	425	23 61	(Opr. SM5GMG)					OK1KZ	"	177,125	532	47 126	G6NK	"	6,802	86	15 23
UA9SFV	"	46,699	272	21 46	AUSTRIA					OK2EC	"	173,600	387	62 162	G4ZME	"	6,683	95	13 28
UA9XBD	"	37,995	279	15 36	OE3RE	A	166,252	410	59 119	OK3IF	"	159,732	402	60 144	G4CP	28	92,105	355	28 81
UV9CJ	"	23,001	195	10 31	OE9SLH	"	109,440	308	44 100	OK1MKU	"	153,180	428	50 135	G3VMY	"	15,960	116	16 40
UA9OS	"	5,537	43	16 33	OE3HCS	"	23,175	181	25 78	OK1DXW	"	150,699	472	56 135	G3HCT	21	375,310	1134	32 97
UA9FGJ	7	58,884	268	24 60	OE7SEL	"	20,972	127	35 63	OK1MNV	"	150,662	516	40 102	G4CNY	"	323,520	1119	33 87
UA9FD	"	16,284	143	14 32	OE1KU	"	945	27	7 28	OK1FKW	"	142,785	503	49 118	G3YDV	"	146,902	653	27 71
UA9CAQ	"	242	14	5 6	OE3GSA	7	186,004	909	30 68	OK1DGN	"	130,438	445	50 104	G3IGW	7	94,570	551	21 71
UA9AL	3.5	96,876	521	15 54	OE1TKW	1.8	561	21	5 16	OK3CDZ	"	125,998	459	46 100	G4UOL	"	58,650	452	17 68
UA9SGN	"	63,012	402	12 47	AZORES ISLANDS					OK2DB	"	108,884	280	63 100	G4DBK	3.5	104,120	878	18 58
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UA9FM	"	33,072	240	10 38	BALEARIC ISLANDS					OK1DZJ	"	75,764	250	46 70	G3DYY	"	12,349	126	11 42
UA9SEX	"	13,104	119	10 29	EA6GP	A	94,019	433	42 107	OK2BBD	"	70,789	383	30 103	G4XTM	"	10,947	192	7 34
UA9XFJ	"	4,975	74	6 19	EA6CL	"	65,067	291	35 88	OK3CWF	"	69,003	500	32 91	G3XTT	1.8	47,808	451	13 59
UV9FM	1.8	57,997	355	11 48	EA6WY	21	3,597	57	11 22	OK1MZO	"	66,990	318	39 115	FAROE ISLANDS				
UA9FAR	"	40,284	278	10 44	BELGIUM					OK1BB	"	65,415	208	48 99	0Y2J	A	1,102,528	1898	91 276
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UA9AB	"	22,755	206	8 33	ON7JC	"	3,736	61	8 15	OK1DVO	"	61,341	250	34 93	0Y2H	21	595	25	7 10
UA9CBO	"	15,696	165	7 29	ON5EU	"	1,484	46	7 21	OK1MIU	"	44,788	159	45 97	FEDERAL REP. OF GERMANY				
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RA0FA	A	683,826	1013	109 177	LZ1CW	A	326,928	589	86 208	OK1MHI	"	34,344	230	28 78	DF3CB	"	1,732,776	1442	131 396
UA0ZI	"	339,966	824	91 111	LZ1VA	"	249,223	546	79 168	OK2BLD	"	29,808	155	34 58	DK6WL	"	985,167	816	114 320
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UW0LT	"	129,675	281	79 96	(Opr. LZ2RS)					OK3TEW	"	27,730	206	22 72	DJ1XP	"	596,068	718	103 315
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UA0SY	"	113,338	357	40 82	LZ1WL	"	88,920	256	64 107	OK2BCI	"	22,400	83	45 67	DL1JF	"	564,804	684	102 246
UA0ZZ	"	58,464	383	35 37	LZ1IT	"	75,350	590	36 99	OK3EQ	"	20,196	74	41 58	DK20Y	"	557,865	980	89 226
UA0LCZ	"	55,545	205	46 69	LZ2AG	"	61,380	350	32 92	OK3CPW	"	18,328	109	20 59	DF5BM	"	537,993	697	90 249
UA0JQD	"	16,224	113	35 43	LZ1FJ	"	29,580	200	33 83	OK2SWD	"	18,000	131	23 49	DJ1YH	"	447,950	713	87 223
UA0KCL	"	11,385	113	17 28	LZ1KZM	"	16,800	134	19 81	OK2BCZ	"	17,236	250	10 52	DL3LU	"	437,190	598	103 251
UW0CM	"	10,824	100	18 26	LZ1YQ	28	70,928	314	29 75	OK3THM	"	16,915	72	33 52	DJ1SB	"	429,341	921	67 186
UA0QCA	"	4,896	60	11 25	LZ2ZA	"	18,096	87	24 63	OK1DAU	"	16,804	153	19 20	DL3TF	"	425,700	734	74 226
UA0SGN	28	34,300	333	22 48	LZ1KDP	21	474,157												

DK6QX	26,414	125	40	54	Y47MN	232,906	783	58	144	Y24YM	6,444	206	5	30	NORTHERN IRELAND				Y03NP	7	173,040	972	28	77			
DK4RM	17,559	158	15	54	Y28XL/A	219,792	602	62	166	Y25NA/A	2,752	47	9	23	GI48BV	A	185,922	415	57	141	Y08AXP/P	7	93,748	779	23	79	
DF3QN	13,921	108	27	56	Y78ZN	201,685	548	59	134	Y62TI	1,728	72	4	20	NORWAY				Y08CDD	7	59,976	440	20	64			
DF2RG	12,537	94	25	38	Y63SI	197,136	455	71	151	Y21RO	1,620	59	6	21	LA9XG	A	45,816	136	49	89	Y04CAH	7	51,074	445	21	55	
DL4NBV	12,155	121	22	43	Y32VN	168,432	390	71	161	Y26PL	819	40	3	18	LA9PW	7	40,224	187	33	63	Y05CYH	7	33,356	229	13	49	
DF6RI	8,190	96	16	23	Y25JA/A	140,049	478	48	141	Y23KF	5,772	159	6	31	LA9VDA	7	31,395	199	33	82	Y04BBH	7	25,476	270	15	51	
DL9NCR	8,113	68	24	37	Y24SK/A	129,240	371	50	130	Y23FI	3,680	118	4	28	LA1VL	7	19,125	135	28	47	Y05CUU	7	13,671	128	12	37	
DL3SCR	5,635	43	21	28	Y43VL	125,355	377	46	137	Y22XC/A	858	40	3	19	LA9PEA	7	6,615	75	14	35	Y04FEI	7	4,633	75	11	30	
DF2UU	86,920	335	28	78	Y55TJ	108,570	260	58	152	GREECE				LA20G	7	6,396	61	17	24	Y03CD	1.8	48,672	519	15	63		
DL2HBX	44,339	196	27	74	Y22WF	87,801	341	38	73	SV0AA	A	2,380	63	5	29	LA1HCA	7	5,220	40	19	26	Y03QK	7	2,108	54	6	25
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DL8IU	241,254	790	32	84	Y32QD	76,219	267	58	111	HA5PP	1,456,068	1767	114	312	LA2IE	14	5,700	101	8	12	IS8MVE	A	261,512	860	59	135	
(Opr. DL4AAE)					Y23RJ/P	73,569	341	38	99	HA7UI	648,150	1240	82	216	LA9RFA	7	2,725	109	12	13	IS8OMH	7	261,183	860	51	130	
DL8LR	95,824	387	32	74	Y32PI/P	58,838	171	51	95	HA8XX	385,838	875	81	185	LA8SCA	7	143	13	3	8	IS8XIE	7	169,290	592	55	143	
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DJ8FR	300,957	1028	33	96	Y22GC	51,191	182	40	63	HA5LZ	327,184	485	79	207	POLAND				IS8QDV	7	12,801	238	9	42			
DL4RX	169,244	648	32	84	Y55XL	48,138	128	56	86	HA8HW	256,022	592	72	157	SP9DWT	A	161,805	373	65	136	SCOTLAND						
DJ5GG	52,720	287	20	60	Y58WA	47,596	124	62	101	HA5BA	133,934	465	102	232	SP9AKD	7	159,280	360	59	161	GM3RAD	A	550,824	1118	62	174	
DK9MB	9,800	100	14	25	Y23SF/A	39,798	277	25	74	HA2NI	70,880	198	56	104	SP9BBH	7	151,712	460	49	127	GM4VJV	7	250,860	1067	45	140	
DJ1FC	4,655	63	10	25	Y23CM	39,600	149	38	82	HA1SL	62,172	234	39	93	SP3IOE	7	126,085	463	53	98	GM3CFS	7	184,576	501	59	147	
DF8NT	52	5	2	2	Y31EM	38,416	196	32	80	HA0HG	47,854	217	39	103	SP3HC	7	74,947	266	44	105	GM4CXM	21	209,253	793	29	84	
DL8IU	60,242	346	24	67	Y42HA	34,126	182	36	77	HA1SD	44,368	208	41	118	SP9FKQ	7	68,644	191	53	78	GM8IO	7	21,268	198	16	36	
(Opr. DL4AAA)					Y21FC	33,368	154	38	59	HA6QD	17,424	114	34	54	SP9ZD	7	59,496	222	48	100	GM4ENF	14	10,752	124	16	26	
DJ8IF	31,682	279	15	58	Y54WM/P	29,298	153	25	89	HA5JL	64,410	278	29	84	SP9MRM	7	58,496	260	38	90	GM3VLB	1.8	8,695	183	7	40	
DK8FS	19,175	151	15	50	Y24SH/A	29,082	151	35	76	HA0ND	69,300	404	21	105	SP9EQS	7	42,003	240	30	87	SICILY						
DF8DX	146,580	1064	18	66	Y67UL	26,133	186	28	65	HA0HL	57,440	491	21	59	SP8AQJ	7	34,224	296	29	63	IT9GSF	14	319,924	1347	35	86	
(Opr. DL4BYM)					Y66RL	25,956	192	22	41	HA0HV	49,680	306	20	52	SP3EQE	7	33,495	227	26	51	SPAIN						
DL3HAH	145,260	979	20	70	Y21NM/A	24,782	115	40	73	HA8UE	24,495	188	19	50	SP3BYZ	7	32,725	165	19	58	ED5EXI	A	1,511,247	1867	112	299	
DJ5JH	51,049	487	15	56	Y46IF	23,902	264	20	54	HA8CO	8,064	117	14	34	SP6AU	7	21,311	125	28	73	EA3FAA	7	1,486,040	1999	109	279	
DL9LAI	19,680	361	7	41	Y22LE	23,885	129	31	54	HA9RE	307,840	1390	34	96	SP2HBP	7	14,734	163	14	39	EA7AZA	7	260,064	535	71	145	
DL4YAO	15,834	238	11	31	Y31JA	21,700	155	23	47	HA4KYN	291,088	1418	29	84	SP2EFU	7	13,800	103	29	46	EA4EP	7	227,968	502	54	154	
DL8NBE	22,504	324	9	49	Y22HF	21,021	95	36	55	HA3PT	118,400	446	18	62	SP5CS	7	12,441	73	32	55	EA3BQW	7	187,380	525	55	125	
FINLAND					Y21EA	20,300	100	34	66	HA8UT	110,160	622	22	80	SP5LM	7	11,136	84	24	40	EA3DBQ	7	126,519	396	58	123	
OH6EI	1,405,398	1673	111	283	Y58ZA	20,224	92	35	44	HA5NK	103,488	673	23	75	SP9ADY	7	9,128	62	23	33	EA2CR	7	21,276	118	38	70	
OH2PM	859,408	1130	115	305	/Y71ZA	8,591	82	22	49	HA6NL	58,859	680	13	58	SP6CYX	7	7,813	121	27	32	EA3EYB	7	17,976	106	30	54	
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HB9DFY	21,160	148	30	62
HB9QA	11,771	65	34	45
HB9BOW	5,865	60	20	31
HB9DDZ	28	6,579	47	19
HB9CJG	21	183,860	678	33
HB9DX	24,592	89	31	85
HB9CIP	7	417,028	1601	35
HB9CEY	23,458	153	17	57
HB9AMO	1.8	97,064	762	19

U.S.S.R. EUROPEAN

BYELO-RUSSIA

UC20T	A	440,928	1001	75	213
RC2AU		132,000	624	46	130
UC2AT		15,390	99	16	41
UC20CH	21	138,852	539	32	84
UC2WCY		8,789	80	16	31
UC20AR	14	64,436	385	26	63
UC2WCX	7	24,156	264	17	49
UC2SD		8,096	140	10	36
UC2WAO		4,240	82	10	30
UC2SMC		260	18	5	8
UC2W0	1.8	15,778	269	9	40
UC2H		8,100	208	7	29

ESTONIA

UR2RER	A	61,344	308	39	105
RR2RW		32,760	110	53	87
UR2RKQ		32,172	244	22	62
RR2RU		17,952	70	42	60
UR2RBQ		12,474	102	20	57
UR2RHF		5,605	45	24	35
UR2RND	28	720	23	7	13
UR2QA	21	60,334	272	28	69
UR2RIY		5,472	94	13	25
RR2RX		3,915	49	15	30
UR2RMB		3,408	28	20	28
UR2R00	14	275,538	1153	33	81
UR2RDB		40,211	218	22	57
UR20D	7	36,300	224	23	52
UR2FU		9,666	117	14	40
UR2RIC		9,648	129	11	37
RR2RT	3.5	7,134	78	12	46
UR2RCD		980	32	4	24
UR2RME	1.8	11,004	229	7	35

EUROPEAN RUSSIA

RU1DZ	A	1,481,193	1681	129	330
RA3DX		499,356	712	100	296
UA4CK		467,370	849	83	187
RZ3AM		428,420	798	90	220
UA1ZO		421,006	876	56	125
UA1TCO		359,988	878	64	198
RZ3DF		356,400	693	91	239
RW3AU		269,126	476	85	201
UA4YJ		248,330	695	52	138
UA6YAH		240,221	529	69	160
UA4ALI		220,224	566	71	151
UA6BJQ		205,600	715	49	151
UA3ECJ		193,499	631	46	133
UA4LCL		145,612	940	32	86
RW3ZC		129,685	390	57	128
UA4AHA		128,064	467	48	126
UA3VLO		114,296	398	47	135
RA3AOD		106,005	302	58	133
UA6LIG		99,900	364	51	134
UA4ANZ		86,625	273	50	115
UA3ST		83,144	311	44	108
RZ3DZ		75,060	256	51	129
RA3VA		69,454	321	36	85
UA3ASL		65,520	257	44	82
UA4LCQ		58,725	239	50	85
UA6YHR		52,334	144	53	84
UA1OML		51,272	250	33	83
UA3ICJ		49,105	217	32	83
UA3ZOY		44,104	210	50	98
UA1OIZ		43,179	148	44	67
UA3RA		42,362	236	32	86
UA4NEJ		39,675	174	41	74
UA3TAM		35,595	225	29	76
UV1CD		33,925	238	28	87
UA4UCC		31,059	239	23	64
RV6AF		30,160	117	53	77
UA3QBX		25,576	164	29	63
UA6LFQ		24,198	120	37	74
RA1QE		22,058	155	24	58
UA4SSS		17,700	173	22	53
UA1OAM		16,236	98	26	56
RW3DC		16,000	122	25	55
RA3GD		15,189	172	16	45
RZ3DM		14,852	86	29	65
RA3WZ		13,650	143	22	53
RA1OAK		4,510	42	21	20
RW6AA		1,550	26	12	13
UA3TGO		1,500	34	11	19
UA4HNP	28	19,600	167	21	49
UA6BPM		18,396	163	21	52
RA3RN		3,034	42	12	25
UA3PB		399	11	8	11
UW3AA	21	173,228	659	33	91
RZ3DX		133,340	542	31	87
UW3UO		100,293	535	28	73
UW6MA		67,868	352	26	68
UA4HKJ		60,952	472	24	52

UA4PMG	30,780	241	22	54
RV6AA	29,346	264	20	47
UA3XCT	29,064	131	25	59
UA3LAR	27,450	160	25	50
UA3LHA	26,082	188	23	40
UA4CMF	20,384	240	15	37
UA3XEH	18,538	192	16	30
UA3XBB	16,317	128	23	40
UA3PNN	14,750	131	18	32
UA1QBO	12,626	117	18	41
UA3XDF	1,344	24	10	18
UA6AJJ	14	196,677	848	33
UA1TAL	62,582	367	22	61
UA1ANP	59,448	418	21	57
RA3UC	53,795	190	22	55
UA1QBV	26,068	181	24	52
UW3HY	22,754	173	20	42
UA4ZW	17,199	222	13	36
UW6HO	16,640	114	23	42
UA4NEA	8,832	128	18	46
UW3ICF	6,615	69	14	21
UA1AJ	6,475	131	11	24
UA3XN	1,368	39	7	17
UW3CE	225	9	7	8
RA4PC	7	77,616	335	27
UW1CX	46,137	215	26	65
UA3XAW	33,078	320	16	58
UA4CEU	24,675	168	20	55
UA3BK	12,654	139	16	41
UA3TDR	8,060	124	10	42
UA3GO	2,923	46	10	27
UA3XDM	3.5	73,863	588	19
UW3QA	59,276	605	15	58
RW6AC	37,275	376	16	59
UA6AX	32,460	426	12	48
UA1AUA	31,691	381	13	54
UA1AMR	30,186	442	11	43
UA3PFW	23,088	328	9	43
UW6AL	20,955	305	13	42
UA6BBS	18,304	249	10	42
UA3DIJ	15,350	254	10	40
UA3YAO	13,038	270	7	34
UA4AO	13,008	192	7	41
UA6AQV	13,005	224	9	36
UA3TU	12,284	171	12	44
RA1QC	10,140	210	8	31
UA1ZGT	9,620	248	8	29
UA3ADG	8,382	213	6	27
UA3YFT	5,828	166	7	24
UA4FY	3,298	82	6	28
UV4CD	3,120	54	9	30
UA3PNO	817	28	6	13
RA3D0X	1.8	21,728	295	9
RA6ADS	19,209	261	10	47
UA3DJG	11,776	193	7	39
UA6ATC	8,008	148	9	35
UA3ATV	7,654	138	8	35
RW6PB	6,588	129	7	29
RA6LW	5,544	119	6	30
UA3DQS	3,162	74	6	28

KALININGRAD

UA2FZ	A	87,769	391	27	52
UA2FFA		15,600	99	28	50
UA2FGA	3.5	403,686	1918	30	93
UA2FJ	1.8	37,635	490	10	55

KARELIA-FINNISH

UN1CD	A	18,080	138	95	250
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LATVIA

RQ2GN	A	743,820	1254	95	250
UQ2GT		150,245	486	63	136
UQ2GFU		123,840	408	49	123
UQ2GD		16,289	106	30	61
UQ2GKO		1,566	50	8	19
UQ2GBJ		1,334	42	9	20
UQ2GKQ	28	405	15	7	8
UQ2GLQ	21	5,512	40	22	31
UQ2GIZ	14	160,160	763	28	82
UQ2GMB		48,972	323	21	56
UQ2GQ		8,900	86	15	35
UQ2GEO		5,434	79	10	16
UQ2GEC		224	10	7	9
UQ2GIP	7	54,384	350	23	65
UQ2GJV		41,840	384	18	62
UQ2GCW		5,760	56	13	23
UQ2GM	3.5	114,580	785	20	65
UQ2GN		98,560	220	19	61
UQ2GGP		21,489	305	12	45
UQ2GHJ		19,680	492	14	46
UQ2GHB		18,974	309	9	44
RQ2GIG		15,340	240	9	43
UQ2GOV		4,620	127	10	32
UQ2PZ	1.8	20,280	269	10	50
UQ2PJ		6,981	150	6	33
UQ2GQD		1,750	66	5	20

LITHUANIA

UP38P	A	1,676,988	1757	120	324
UP380		746,250	1114	95	280
UP2BR		660,330	1085	93	252
UP3BU		555,472	1140	70	228
UP2BSP		358,608	850	62	179
UP2BKJ		179,578	580	50	152
UP2BIP		147,456	280	80	176
UP3BA		136,530	603	47	138

UP2BOS	131,480	489	47	126
UP2ND	100,320	327	46	119
UP2PAQ	81,540	363	37	98
UP2BBF	79,756	266	52	105
UP2BB	44,034	254	31	92
UP2PBM	36,850	249	31	79
UP3BQ	36,252	223	37	77
UP2BDO	23,712	171	27	77
UP2PCF	19,360	131	26	54
UP2BKT	16,874	234	16	43
UP0BA	1,904	52	10	24
UP2OU	17,082	100	24	54
UP3BX	21	86,130	320	30
UP2FF		13,939	110	19
UP2BEJ	7	62,010	439	22
UP2BKA		40,762	250	21
UP2PCI	3.5	192,276	1175	26
UP2BOA		58,888	698	13
UP2QO		51,150	546	13
UP2BIW		50,197	560	17
UP2BKM		47,190	575	13
UP2CT		39,034	565	12
UP2BRE		20,950	384	10
UP2BHK		8,816	200	8
UP2BGG		7,514	206	6
UP2BLF		368	21	4

MOLDAVIA

UO50EW	A	285,138	770	58	159
UO50DA		64,328	226	43	93
RO40Z		63,250	352	33	92
UO50JM	21	1,534	36	8	18
RO40A	14	380,986	1373	37	105
UO5WU		36,182	177	27	52
UO5ON	7	45,152	414	16	52
UO5GR	3.5	7,802	117	10	37
UO5AP		3,500	58	7	28
UO50BT	1.8	6,916	157	6	32

PY2RN	"	56,538	252	29	52
PY2CAR	"	29,108	139	25	51
PY1AJK	"	19,089	129	27	36
PY2GJR	"	1,092	23	12	9
ZY5AKW	14	45,985	189	29	56
PY2FRD	"	15,496	104	19	33
PY2VH	7	1,040	23	9	7
PY2DP	3.5	24,780	145	20	40
PY1BVY	1.8	4,824	92	10	8

CHILE

CE1IDM	A	640,209	1268	67	110
CE3BFZ	"	64,988	292	32	45
CE28FR	14	142,320	574	25	55
CE8PD	7	33,304	249	18	28
CE6HIY	"	16,308	160	16	20
CE6NOT	"	2,712	43	11	13

COLOMBIA

HK1KXA	21	417,150	1365	29	74
HK1AMW	3.5	177,120	728	22	60

EASTER ISLAND

CE0ZIG	14	223,737	697	34	73
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ECUADOR

HD5X	A	7,850,590	5153	145	361
(Opr. KQ2M)					
HC7SK	3.5	103,273	567	19	42

FRENCH GUIANA

FY5YE	A	8,201,163	5307	142	381
(Opr. OH2MM)					

NETHERLANDS ANTILLES

P40GD	A	7,952,283	5163	142	405
(Opr. W2GD)					

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OA4ZV	A	1,769,116	2001	103	199
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SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS

LU1ZA	A	110,000	679	26	29
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TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

J6LAD/9Y	A	377,316	695	65	123
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URUGUAY

CX7BY	21	972,257	2300	37	106
CW8B	14	1,011,036	2182	36	120
(Opr. CX8BBH)					
CX6BM	7	28,272	131	27	49

VENEZUELA

4M7A	28	741,312	2448	23	73
(Opr. YV7QP)					
YV4ABR	14	37,296	261	16	32
YW10	7	758,898	2016	32	94
(Opr. YV1D1G)					
YX5A	"	621,489	1879	29	82
(Opr. YV5ANT)					

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UNITED STATES

K1GQ	5,524,602	2815	162	507
AA1K	3,559,869	2009	164	455
KY1H	2,912,620	1860	142	406
KM1C	2,086,884	1415	141	372
K1DG	1,967,338	1364	140	362
W1PH	1,693,536	1240	128	344
K1IU	1,519,479	1095	144	363
KA1X	471,675	585	88	197
WB1CNM	421,008	455	98	238
W1GG	299,184	388	79	197
KT10	293,040	404	88	176
KA1CB	282,486	374	70	197
N1AU	187,615	280	79	160
A13E/1	143,090	247	64	141
KA1KPH	115,962	190	81	150
NC1B	44,880	108	68	97
N2RM	5,222,100	2673	171	505
N2MM	2,525,592	1553	160	404
KQ20	1,332,027	1100	114	309
K2TD	1,306,800	1044	119	313
W2UI	413,542	492	94	215
NF2L	264,759	448	66	147
N3RS	4,979,475	2537	168	507
W3BGN	4,485,280	2281	173	507
K300	3,064,812	1818	153	429
K3WW	2,901,384	1883	144	387
W3XU	2,397,860	1821	128	324
W3GG	1,990,660	1453	136	346
K3IE	1,377,385	1143	114	301
WB3CAC	737,352	750	97	245
K3UEI	505,630	607	92	203
K3NZ	473,310	608	79	191

W3AZ	437,844	485	96	225
KS3F	377,190	472	96	201
AJ3H	100,825	210	60	125
WA3IJZ	26,935	182	42	94
N4WW	4,724,200	2541	166	484
N4RJ	3,997,947	2085	178	495
W4FX	1,479,623	1215	119	312
W8ZF/4	1,086,876	725	158	374
K4CEF	1,024,320	773	143	337
K4MF	811,047	707	119	290
AA4DO	786,016	704	127	279
N8LM/4	781,500	757	113	262
WA4QOV	636,928	749	105	206
K3KG/4	561,204	465	153	323
K4XR	432,788	447	135	286
AA4MJ	285,418	401	87	172
WA4CTC	126,850	210	75	140
WA4KIL	75,096	159	61	107
WB4GNT	31,174	108	36	73
N3BB/5	2,242,200	1551	152	353
N5RM	1,408,554	1129	140	301
N6RO	4,229,248	2506	175	417
N6VV	1,830,650	1373	153	317
WR6R	1,387,488	1367	130	258
WV6N	563,040	696	112	176
W6BA	474,328	590	100	181
N6JV	448,920	474	124	224
W6OAT	413,826	426	124	230
W6BIP	413,616	468	126	210
K6TQ	382,510	482	113	177
W6ERS	65,709	171	66	83
KE6WL	13,530	60	37	45
N6OU	4,628	43	25	27
K8AZ	3,537,100	1959	166	454
WA8DXG	1,891,536	1308	151	351
W8RLX	859,878	794	134	268
W8NA	357,022	484	95	179

ALASKA

KL7RA	1,946,487	2855	102	179
KL7HKX	588,984	1342	84	100

BELIZE

V31A	6,089,044	5424	146	494
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CANADA

VE2LJ	2,460,843	2749	95	276
VE7ZZZ	1,651,287	1898	130	233
VE7UBC	422,786	1080	72	89
VE3OXT	283,464	677	66	120
VE2UL	133,338	939	57	95

TURKS & CAICOS

VP5W	4,841,910	5011	112	283
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AFRICA

CANARY ISLANDS

EA8AGD	9,816,540	5763	144	426
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REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

ZS1CT	89,428	572	57	101
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ASIA

INDIA

VU2TEC	275,064	640	52	105
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JAPAN

JE2YRD	3,002,810	2300	153	314
JA9YBA	2,839,992	2316	149	289
JA7YAA	2,171,143	1839	154	289
JA7YAB	2,090,735	1933	138	257
JA3YBF	1,879,570	1758	128	257
JA8YAK	1,684,088	1536	136	270
JF1YPF	1,599,345	1662	127	232
JH1YDT	1,558,832	1504	133	241
JE6ZIH	1,341,816	1440	119	224
JE3ZFS	1,214,301	1315	126	215
JA8YBY	799,663	1028	107	182
JR1ZTT	651,840	872	109	171
JA4YJA	468,384	754	91	147
JA7YFB	267,438	607	57	102
JH4YNT	191,646	405	73	116
JJ1ZXE	89,646	287	46	68
JA2YAC	33,852	148	47	46
JA2YEF	20,910	110	37	48
JA9YAA	8,234	80	19	27
JA1YAD	5,976	60	18	18

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BY1PK	1,441,035	2598	92	187
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UZ8OWO	6,432	151	20	22

GEORGIA

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RL8PYL	3,801,103	2958	145	402
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OK1KZD/P	188,672	642	47	129
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OK1KQJ	113,542	423	48	95
OK1KSZ	94,374	368	42	105
OK1OND	76,636	414	29	90
OK1OFM	62,192	255	36	68
OK1KTW	35,997	404	18	53
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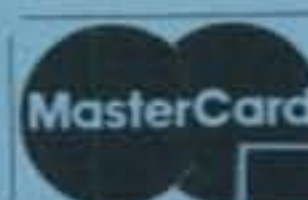
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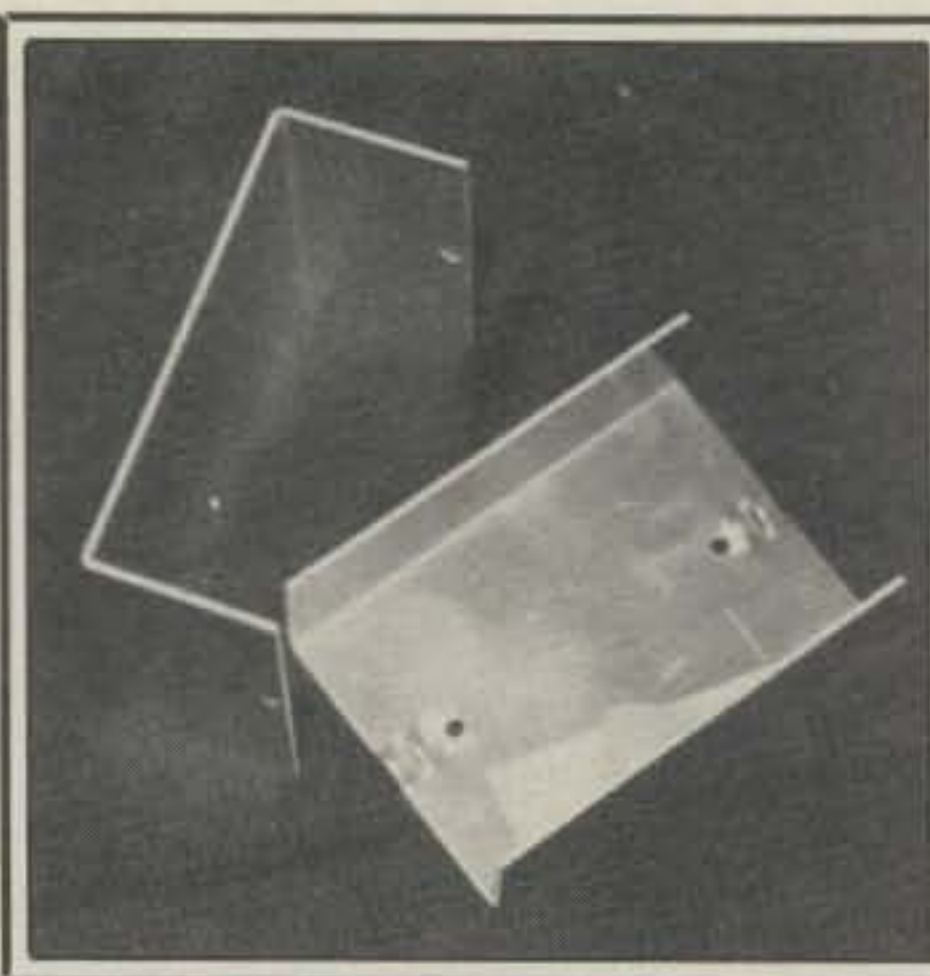
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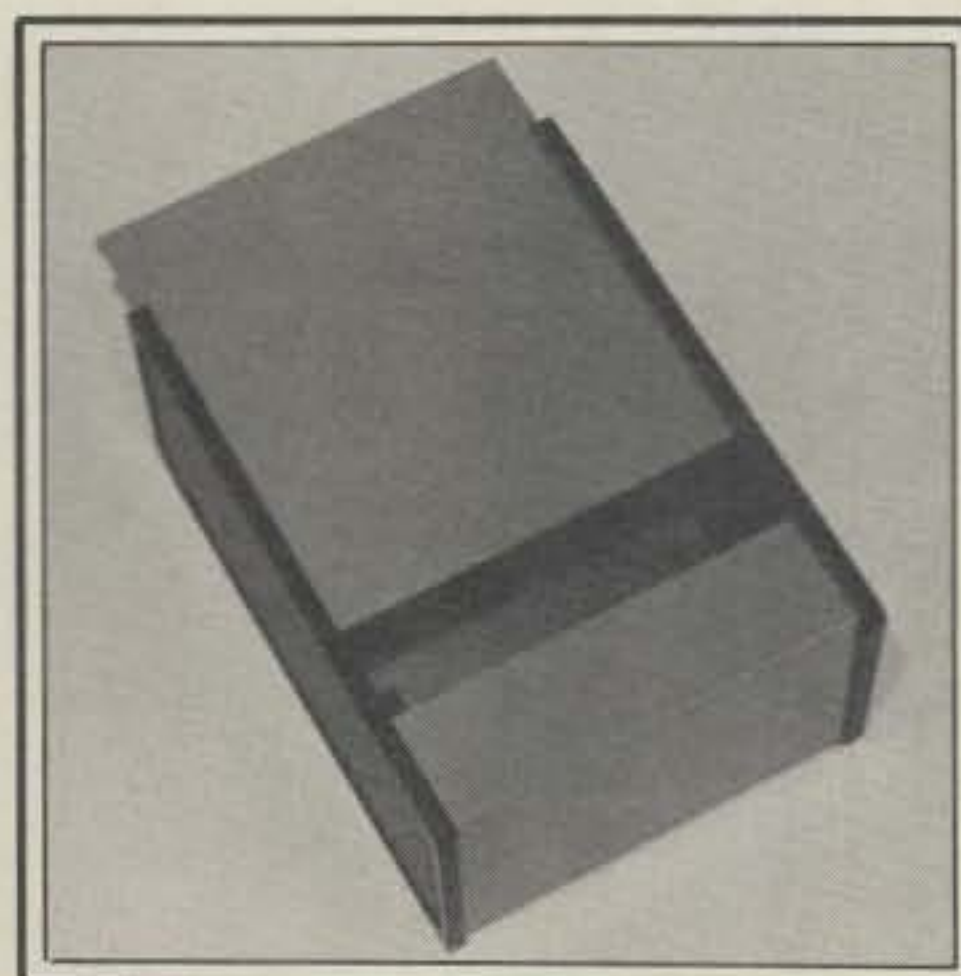
Ten-Tec in some of their transceiver advertisements sometimes uses the phrase "America's best kept secret." Well, that may be true regarding their transceivers, although I seriously doubt it, but if anything it is doubly true regarding their electronic equipment enclosures. Ten-Tec has been a major manufacturer of equipment enclosures for years. They have literally thousands of types of enclosures in just about any size, form, or color scheme. Their main business has been, and still is, to cater to electronic equipment manufacturers who might order a specific enclosure with specific size and finish specifications and with complete hole punching specified for component mounting. Just to give you an idea of what that sort of business means, a small order is considered to be 50 or more units, a medium order is 1,000 units, and they consider it economical to set up with permanent type tools for hole punching if an order is at least 2,000 to 3,000 units!

Ten-Tec has never hidden their enclosure line from the amateur radio world, but then again, they have never advertised their enclosure line with any vigor in amateur radio publications, since their main business regarding enclosures is, obviously, with equipment manufacturers. I therefore was very pleased that after some communication with Ten-Tec they not only agreed to this review, but also agreed to make their standard non-punched enclosures available to amateurs at single-unit OEM (original equipment manufacturer) prices.

The enclosures available from Ten-Tec cover such a wide range that it boggles the mind of the average home brewer who has to contend with a few standard sizes available through mail-order outlets or retail outlets such as Radio Shack. I'll try to simplify the description of the enclosure line by grouping them as bare-bones simple, utility types, rugged utility types, and specialized deluxe. The price range covered is from about \$2.00 for small, unpainted aluminum enclosures to \$150.00 for large, deluxe enclosures with carrying handles. I think that



Ten-Tec's TP series are simple two-piece enclosures that nest together. They are made of 16-gauge aluminum.



An enclosure from the L series. In this case, it is the LG-5, which has exterior dimensions of 3 1/4" H x 5 1/4" W x 7" D.

what I term "utility" types of enclosures will be of main interest to CQ readers, so I'll describe a few of those types first with just a brief look at the "bare-bones simple" and "rugged utility" types. Any reader can take a look at the full range of Ten-Tec enclosures by requesting a copy of their free "Equipment Enclosures" catalog (Ten-Tec, Highway 411 East, Sevierville, TN 37862).

Bare-Bones Simple

These are simple, unpainted enclosures made from heavy 16-gauge aluminum. They consist of a "U"-shaped top cover and "U"-shaped main chassis that nest together and that are secured together by two sheet-metal screws. The top cover provides a bit of overhang towards the front and rear panels of the chassis unit for an attractive appearance. A photograph shows one of the enclosures. They range in size (HWD) from 1" x 3" x 2" to 3 3/8" x 8 1/4" x 6 3/8". There are a total of 20 different sizes, and the unit prices range from \$2.17 to \$6.76. Ten-Tec designates them their TP series.

The TP enclosures can be used for almost any homebrew electronic project: control units, keyers, audio devices, tuners, etc. I found the 16-gauge aluminum thickness to be an excellent choice. It is easy enough to drill or hole punch but yet

not so thin that the finished enclosure looks flimsy. The unpainted nature of the enclosures allows various options for their exterior finish. You can leave them unpainted, wire brush one or both parts of the enclosures for a textured look, paint both parts one color, or paint each part a different but complementing color for a custom appearance.

"Utility" Enclosures

There are over 98 different models in what I have termed Ten-Tec's "utility" enclosures. I expect the people at Ten-Tec might cringe a bit at my choice of the word "utility." I choose it more to indicate the almost universal usefulness of the enclosures rather than to suggest they have a plain appearance. In fact, there is nothing at all plain about them. They are all finished enclosures of either all-metal or metal/plastic construction. Some have painted and baked metal surfaces only, while other enclosures combine vinyl-clad metal surfaces with smooth, painted surfaces. Still others combine smooth, painted metal surfaces with wood grain or textured plastic side panels. Ten-Tec designates them as their Series S, H, V, D, F, M, L, J, and T. They range in size from roughly 4 1/4" x 2" x 4 1/8" to 4 1/2" x 10 1/2" x 14". I say roughly with regard to size because some of the

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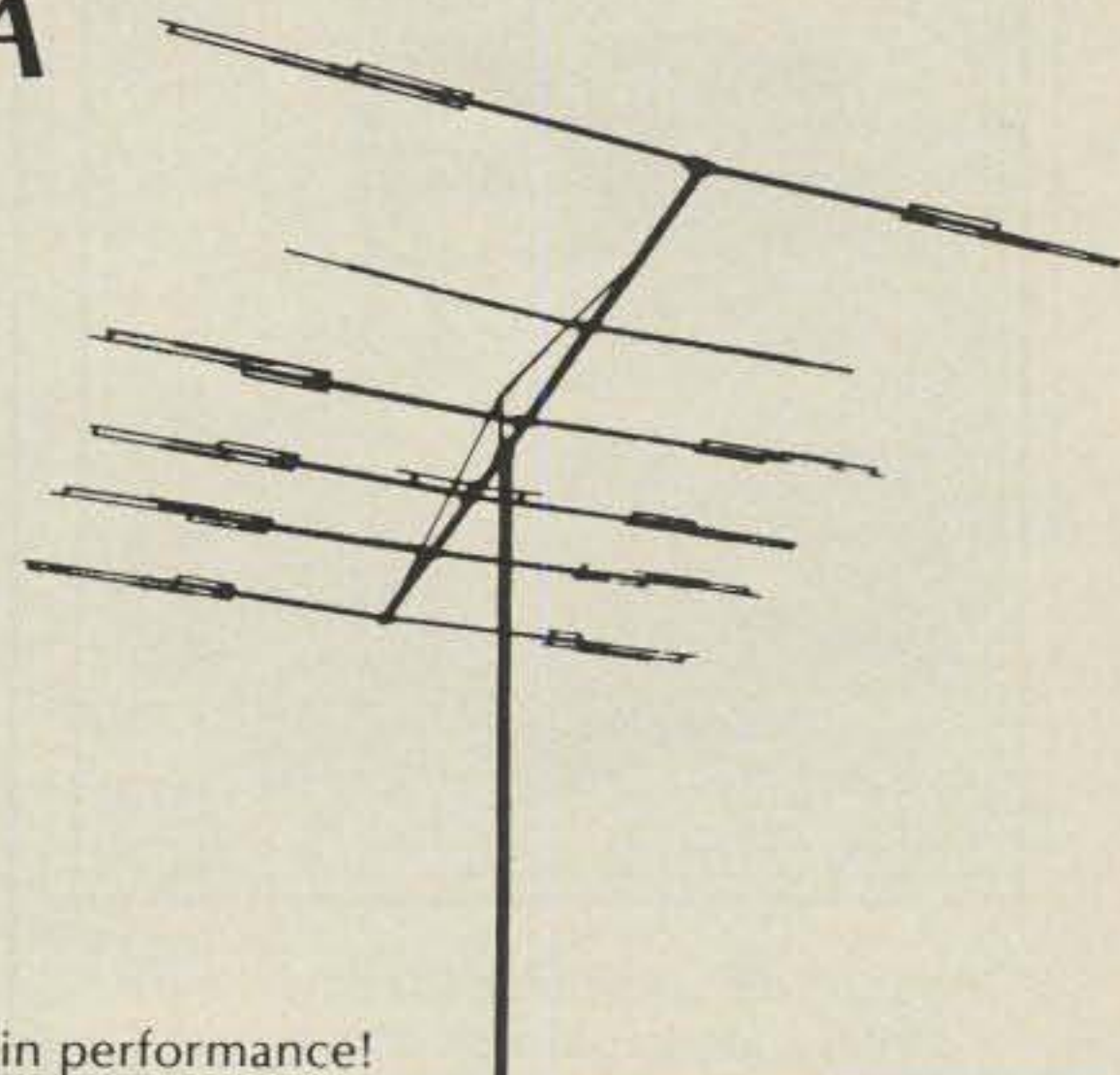
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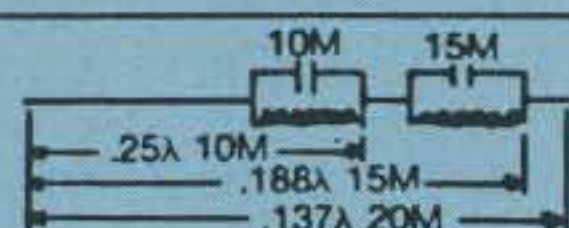
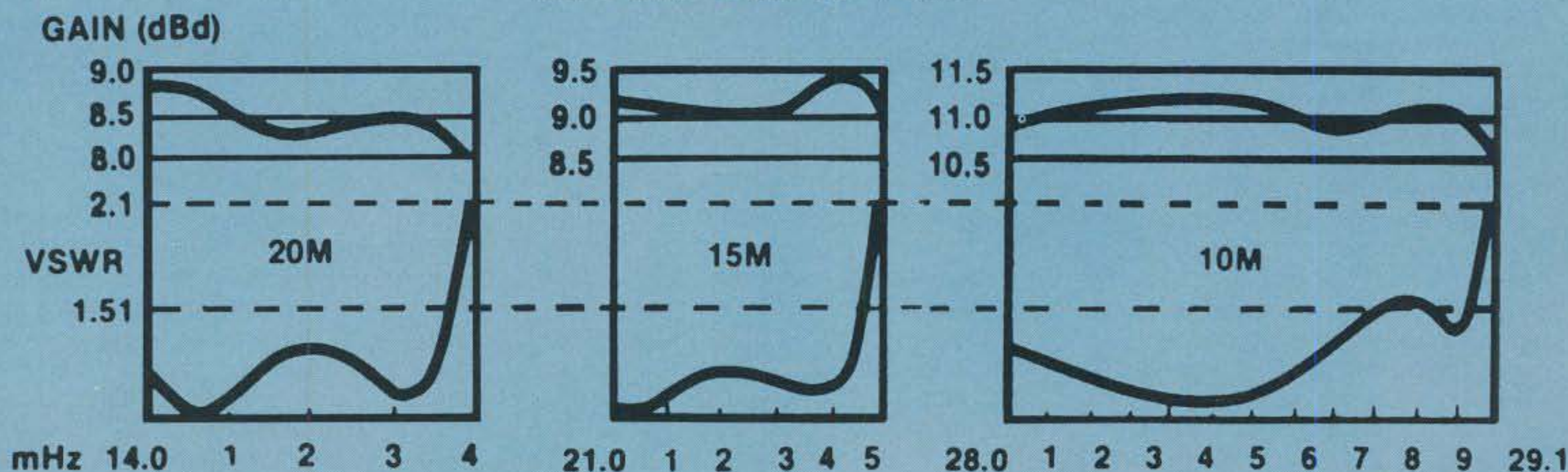
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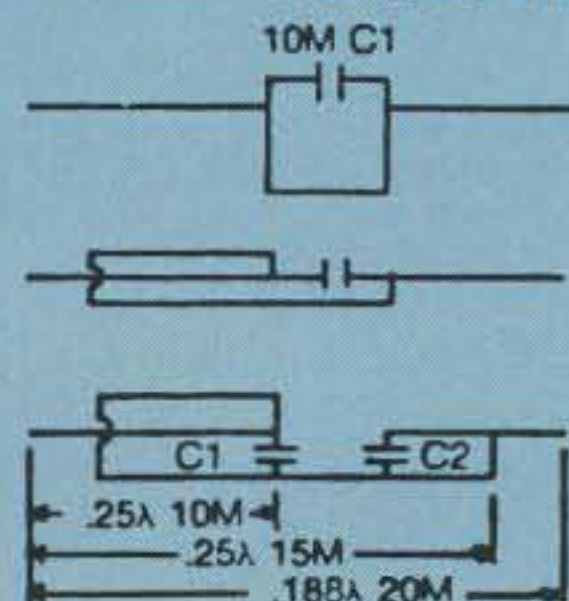


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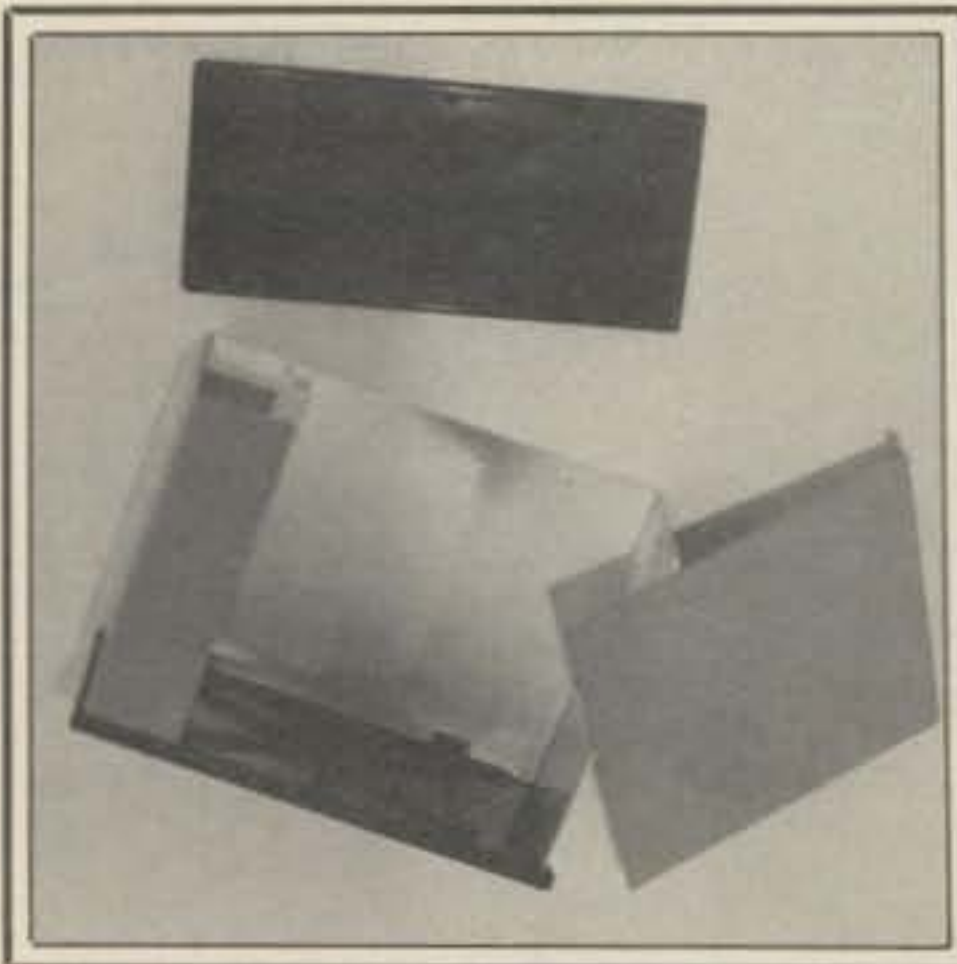
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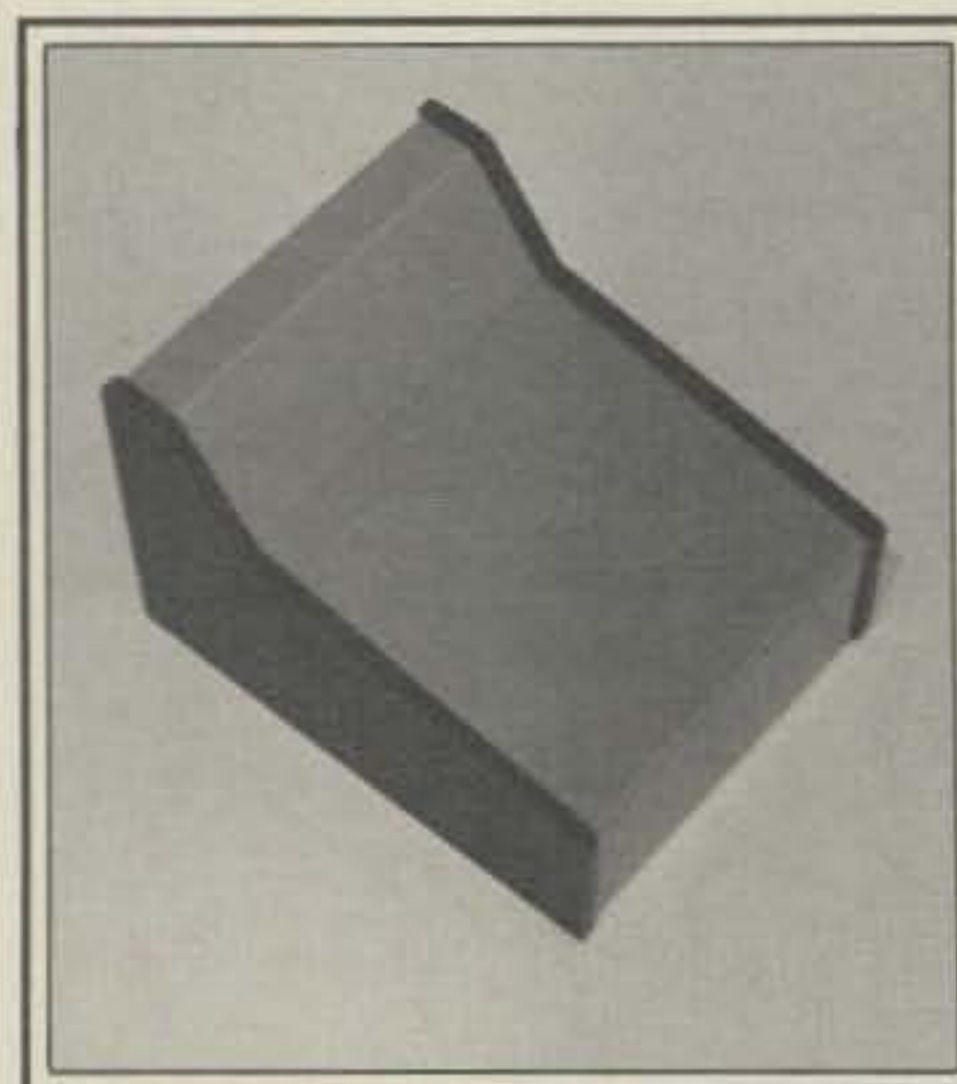
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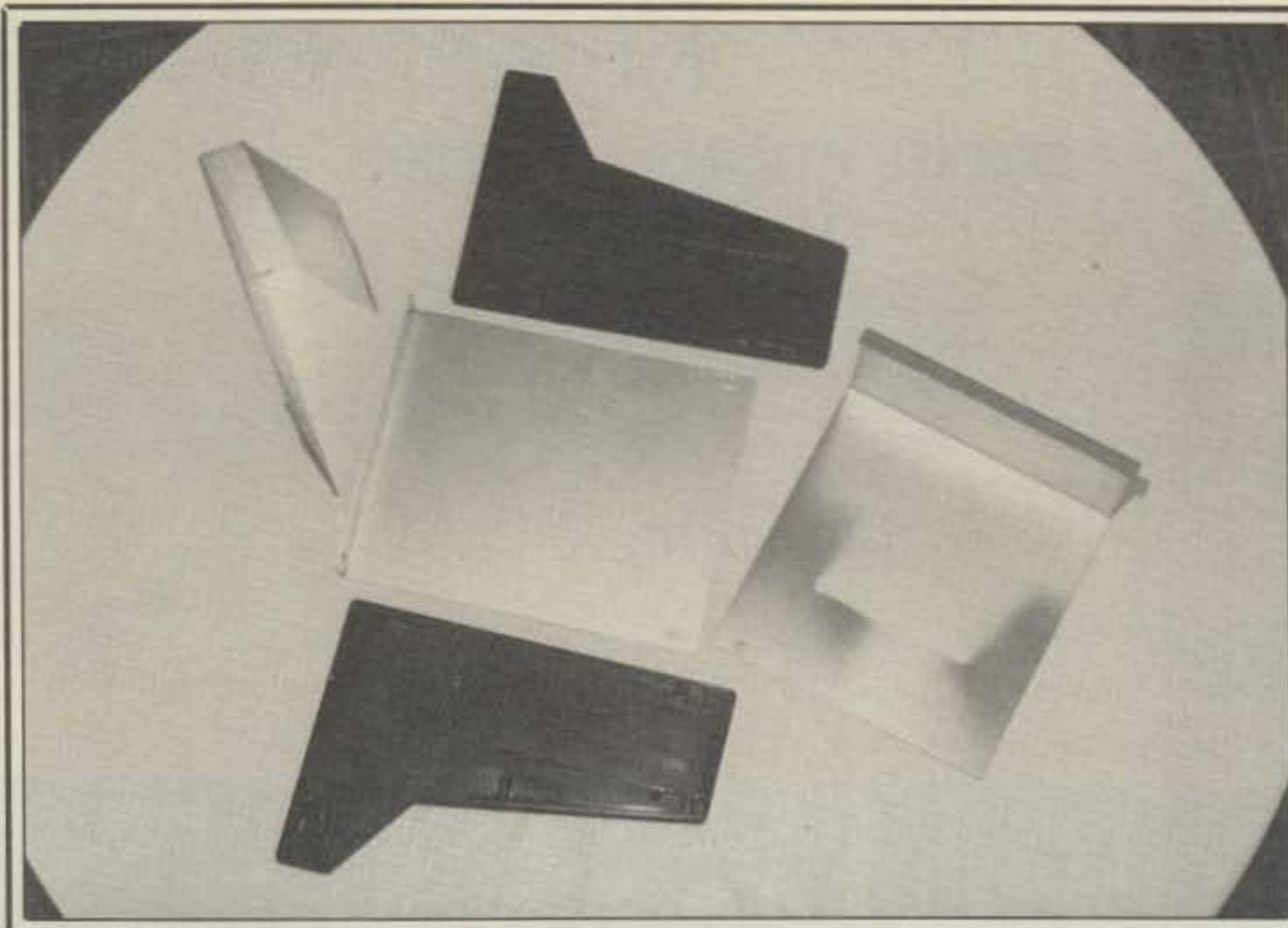
The LG-5 disassembled to show the two metal and two plastic components.

enclosures are squarish in shape while others have up to two sloping panels. The price range is \$5.20 to \$23.30, but with most being below \$12.00. Just three samples from the extensive series of enclosures will be presented.

As you can see from a photograph, the L series features two-piece metal construction with two plastic side panels. The top metal cover can slide backward from the enclosure. If you look at the photograph showing the enclosure disassembled, you can see that there is complete access to the metal portion which constitutes the bottom, front, and rear panels to facilitate the drilling/punching of holes and the mounting of components. Although the side panels are made of plastic, the enclosure can be completely shielded. Some manufacturers who actually use these enclosures accomplish this by spraying the inside of the



An enclosure from the H series. In this case, it is the HG-5, which is roughly 5 inches wide and 6 inches deep, with the front being 2 inches high and the rear 4½ inches high.



The HG-5 enclosure broken down.

plastic side panels with a conductive coating. Others use copper-foil cutouts on the inside of the panels making sure they contact the main metal part of the enclosure. Either approach is satisfactory, although home-brewers will probably find the copper-foil technique the easiest one to use when a project requires complete shielding.

This type of enclosure is probably the best all-around one for most home-brew projects since it combines a very attractive appearance with reasonable cost and is easy to "work" with regard to component mounting.

The D, F, M, and J series are all variations on the same type of enclosure but with different finishes and in various size ranges. The F and J series, for instance, are all slightly less than 2½ inches tall and are well suited for small or large PC boards. The D and M series are all slightly less than 4½ inches high and are well suited for all types of antenna-tuner projects. All of the enclosures are supplied with assembly screws and self-adhesive feet.

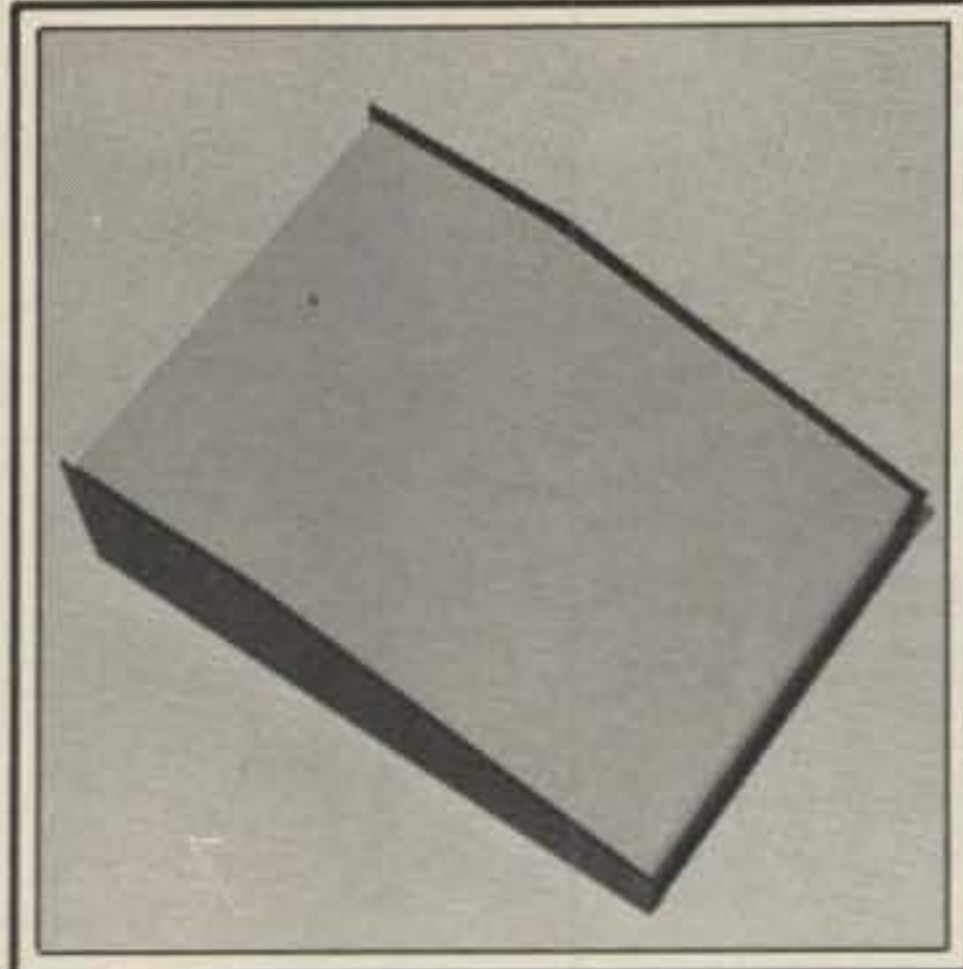
The H and V series are similar to the series just described but they have three metal parts and two plastic parts for the side panels. Some photographs show an H-series enclosure both in its assembled and disassembled form. These enclosures have two sloping front panels and are ideally suited for control- or measuring-type devices where the controls might be on one panel and indicating devices such as lamps or meters on the other panel. Depending upon a given application, you can emphasize the display or control aspect by having large-size meters combined with a small control-panel

layout or the other way around. As you can see from the disassembled unit, all of the metal panels can readily be accessed for metal working or for the mounting of components. These series of enclosures have standardized height and depth dimensions but come in widths ranging from 5 to 10½ inches.

The S series are two-piece all-metal enclosures with a 15 degree sloping front panel. They are designed mainly for larger-size projects such as high-density readouts, switch clusters, or keyboards. They come in widths from 6½ to 14 inches with a standard depth of 9¼



If you take the H series and stand it on its rear panel, you get an idea of the V series. In this case, an HG-5 enclosure was used to mount a loud speaker. An internal amplifier will be added later with controls on the panel below the speaker grill.



An S series unit in assembled form.



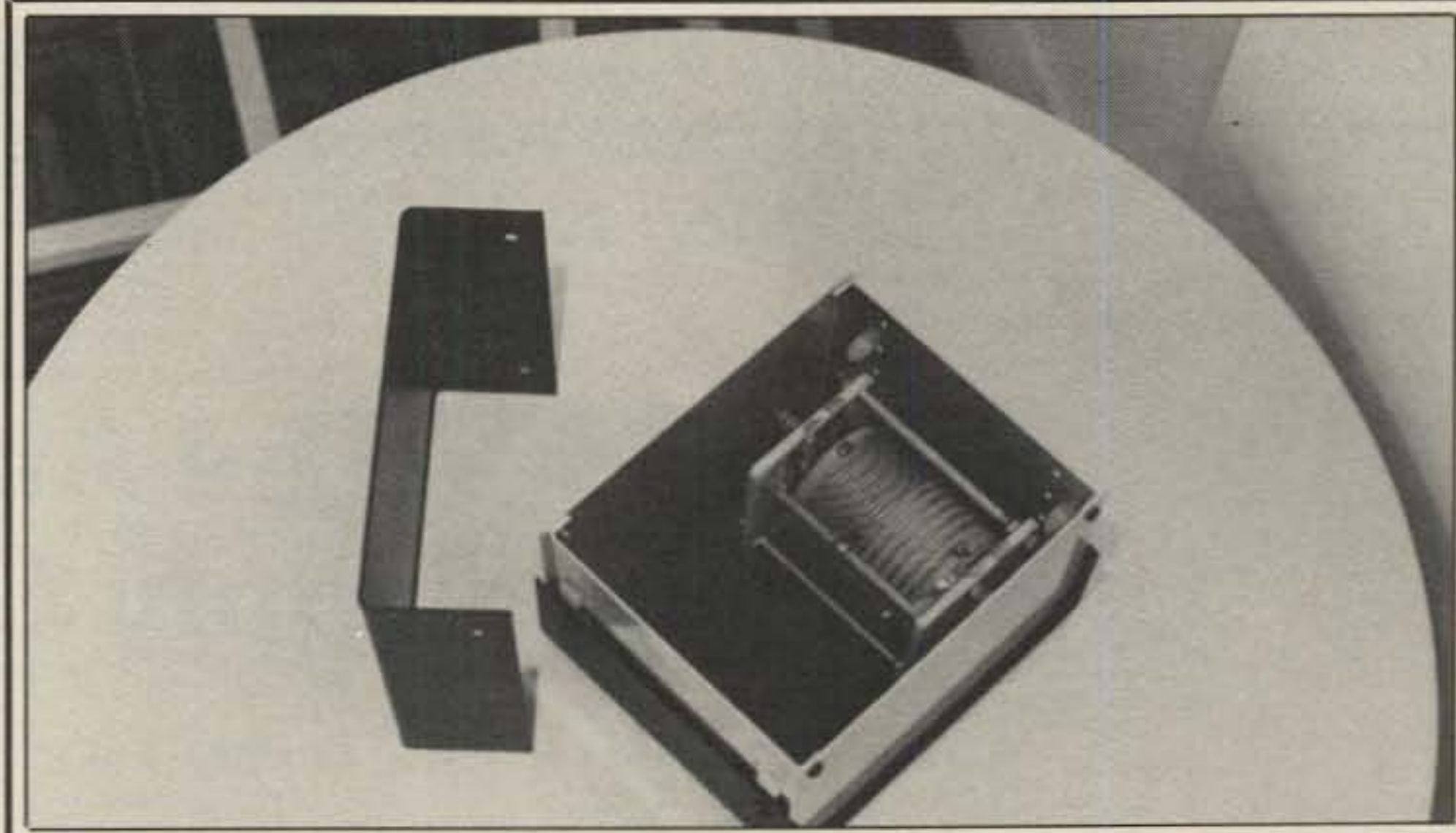
The S series units are all of two-part metal construction.

inches. A set of photographs shows one of the units assembled and disassembled.

Rugged Utility Enclosures

The Series B or "Constructo" series from Ten-Tec are what I would call heavy-duty enclosures. They are of all-metal construction with interior aluminum panels on all four sides but with rolled steel top and bottom covers which encase the interior panels, except for the front and back panels. In spite of the battleship-like construction, the units are quite attractive since the outer steel covers have a textured blue or black enamel finish while the front and rear panels have an egg-shell-colored baked-enamel finish. The enclosures come with an adjustable height chassis for the internal mounting of PC boards, etc. The series B units come in heights of 2½ to 5½ inches, widths of 6 to 12 inches, and depths of 5 to 9 inches. Prices are in the \$20 to \$30 range.

The B series are probably a bit expensive for most run-of-the-mill home-brew



Sizing up how the roller inductor part of an antenna tuner project would fit in a Series B type enclosure.

projects. However, if you have some sort of ultimate project in mind or want to build a super-rugged antenna tuner or switching unit, the series deserves to be kept in mind.

Summary

As the phrase goes, we only covered the "tip of the iceberg" as far as Ten-Tec

enclosures are concerned, especially since only a few models could be presented and only with black-and-white photographs. But if you like to home-brew now and then, be it a simple switch unit or a complete transceiver, and want to put the project in something more than a plastic box, you surely should consider a Ten-Tec enclosure. **CQ**

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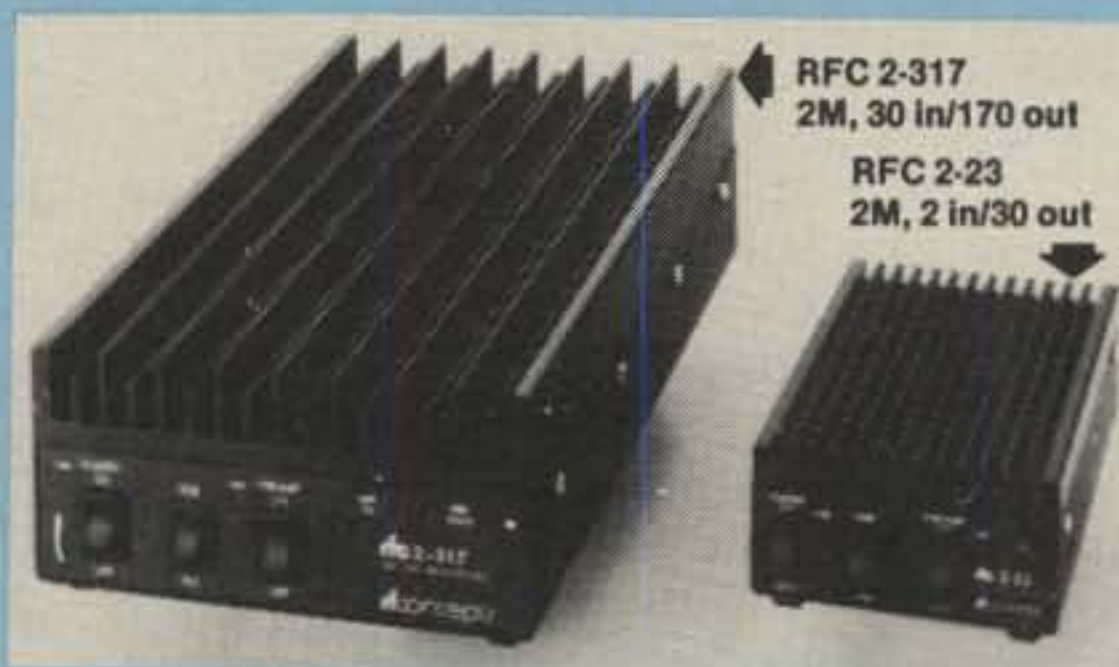
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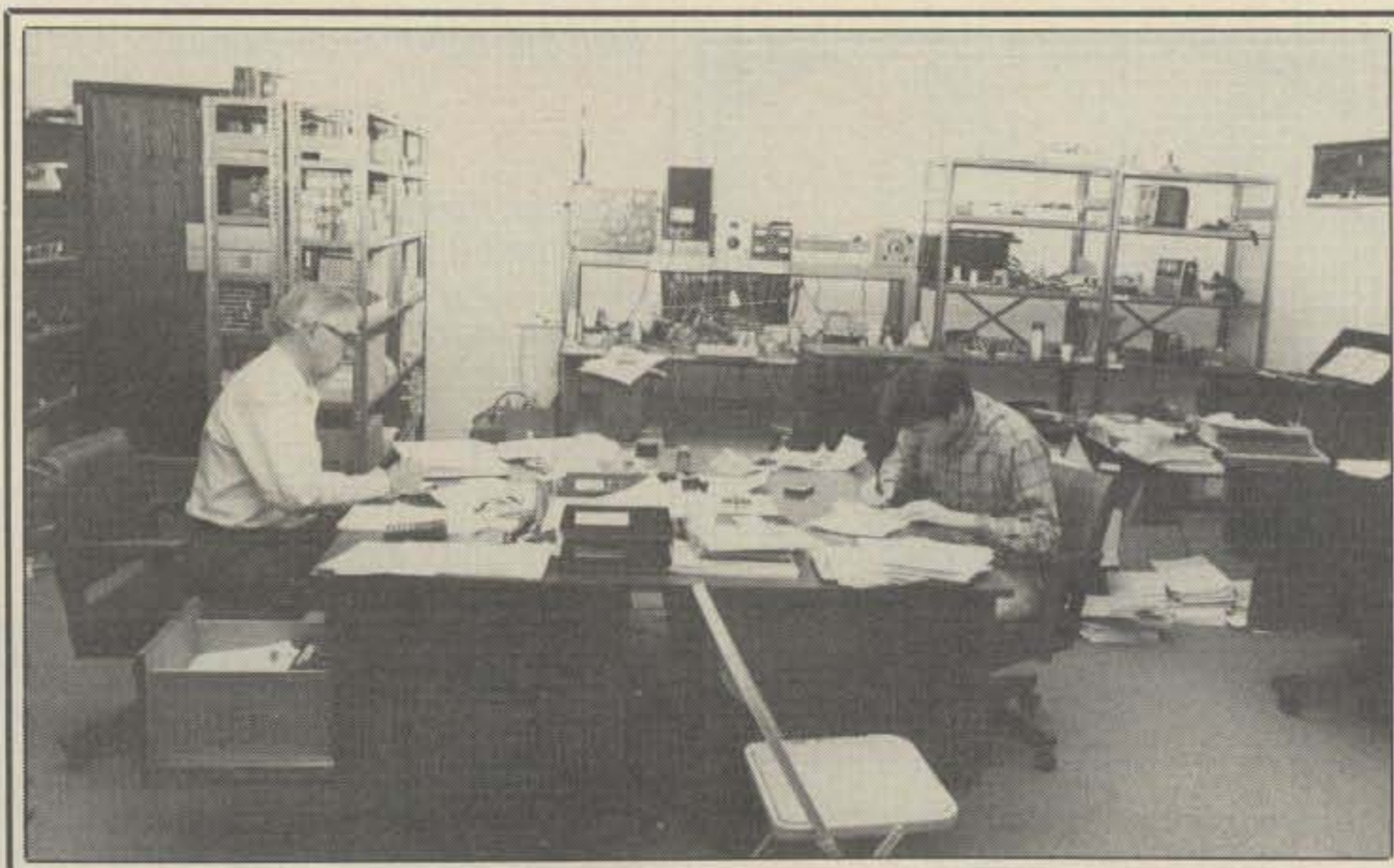
A Visit To The Antique Electronic Supply Company

BY KEITH A. KUNDE*, K8KK

Like many of the readers of CQ, I have an incurable addiction to electronics. I acquired this peculiar habit as a youngster, in the days before television had become a household commodity. Radio was the chief electronic entertainment, then, and nearly every home had a piece of talking furniture in the living room. My family had one of those big console sets with a fancy veneered cabinet and a nifty "Magic Eye" tuning indicator that gave off a beautiful green light, especially on strong stations. I used to squeeze in behind it to peer at the dusty chassis with its many glowing tubes, mystified at how voices and music came out of there (and getting my face toasted in the process!). My uncle, Norm Kamms, noticed my interest in radio and encouraged me to learn more about it. I began reading about electricity and electronics, and that led to experimentation and building, and, well, I was hooked!

Some years have passed since then, but I've retained my strong interest in electronics (including amateur radio, of course!). So it shouldn't surprise anyone to learn that whenever I travel, I take some time to search the local telephone directories for any electronic emporiums which might be in the vicinity. I was doing just that on a trip to my grandmother's home near Phoenix, Arizona, when I discovered a most interesting ad. It was from the Antique Radio and Tube Company in Tempe, Arizona, just southeast of Phoenix. They were advertising tubes, parts, supplies, and books for use in repairing or restoring tube radios and other tube equipment. However, the line that grabbed me said, "Over 150 radios on display in our showroom." Wow! A nostalgic notion came over me. I didn't know if I wanted to do anything with an old radio, but it couldn't hurt to go look, could it?

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George Fathauer, Sr. (on left) and his son George, Jr. at their stations. The service area can be seen in the background.

In a few minutes my grandmother and I were on our way to Tempe.

Not far from the Phoenix Airport we took our leave from the thundering herd on the freeway and turned east onto the uncrowded lanes of University Drive. That area of Tempe is a mix of older and newer buildings, and I was amused to find the Antique Radio and Tube Company imbedded in a row of new shops (since my visit, the company has changed its name to Antique Electronic Supply, and has moved to brand-new larger quarters (688 West First Street, Tempe, AZ 85281, telephone 602-894-9503).

Upon entering the shop, I was delighted to find a beautiful showroom loaded with dozens and dozens of radios of many makes and vintages, from the earliest crystal sets to some quite recent models. Tabletop sets and old horn-type loudspeakers crowded the shelves lining the walls, while console models stood in elegant rows in the center of the room.

Racks of books and magazines (some antique in their own right) were on display. I selected an October 1926 issue of *Radio News* magazine priced at \$8.00 (absolutely fascinating reading!). Also in the racks were some very thick 78 rpm phonograph records bearing the "Edison" label. One, with renditions of "Satisfied" and "Read'Em and Weep" by Al Bernard and Ernie Hare, was offered at \$4.00. (All prices were as of my visit a while back, and as with all things prices are subject to change.) An early Edison-type cylinder record player with a collection of cylinder recordings sat on a low table by the door, right next to modern cassette recordings of old radio broadcasts.

Brand-new one-tube receiver kits from 1946 (tube and earphone included) went for \$8.75 (these are sold out now, but a version assembled from newer components is available). My grandmother found a set familiar to her, an Atwater

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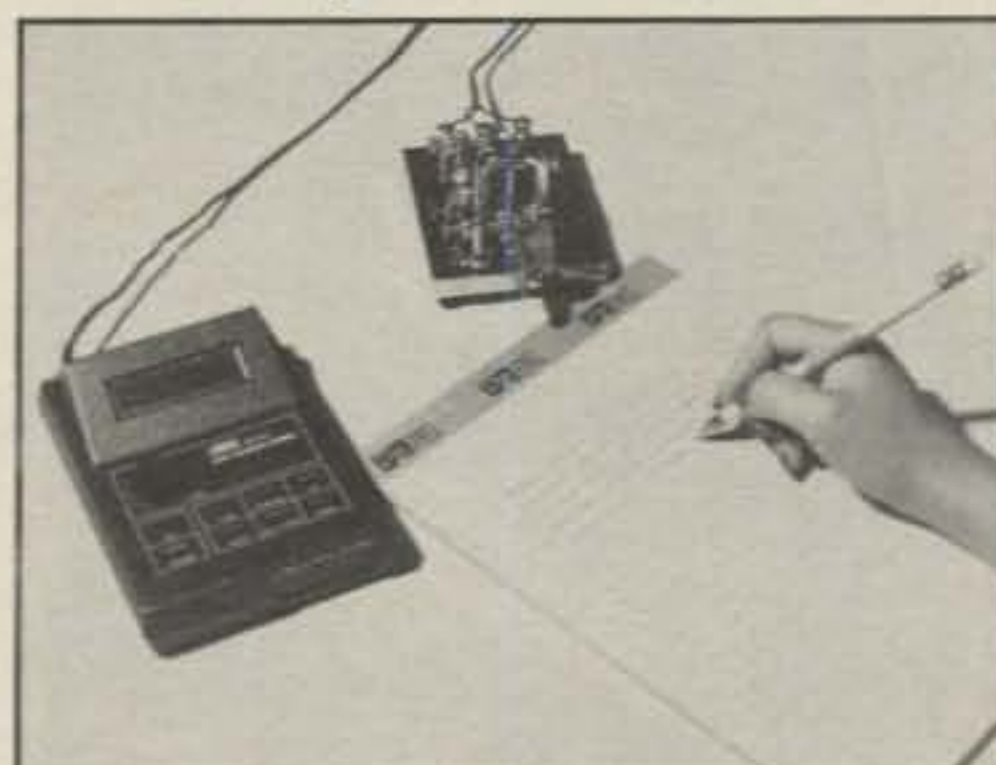
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A small part of the tube inventory at Antique Electronic Supply. These are some of the earlier types, including many varieties of the popular 'O1A.

Kent built in the late '20s, which was tagged at \$120. Nearby a box of assorted old headphones available for a few dollars each sat on top of a big Zenith radio-phonograph console. A collection of rare antique tubes mounted in a display case carried a price intended for the serious collector. The ubiquitous Philco cathedral top was there (the real thing, not a plastic reproduction), along with many other sets with brand names such as Airline, Jewel, Freed-Eisemann, Magnavox, Silvertone, King, and Miracle. Some sets produced in the '40s and '50s were remarkably low-priced, while the scarce models from the early days naturally demanded steeper tariffs.

At the back of the showroom area a glass display case and counter held an array of radio memorabilia and collectibles. Among them were old-style clear-glass lamps, some telegraph equipment, a Jim Beam "Cathedral Top" bourbon bottle, a set of RCA's mascot "Nipper" salt-and-pepper shakers, and more Edison phonograph cylinders.

Behind the counter was an open-office/repair-bench area. Seated at desks facing each other were George A. Fathauer, manager of the enterprise, and George H. Fathauer, his father and consultant to the business. Both were engrossed in paperwork. Lucy, their secretary, churned out typewritten correspondence at her nearby desk.

"When did you say that order for square bus wire was due?" asked George Sr.

His son replied, "Three months," without looking up from his labors.

"More like six months," muttered his father, reading from a manufacturer's invoice.

George Jr. looked up, obviously bothered by the news. "That's cutting it close. Our new catalog will be out by then."

I interrupted and asked to see a copy of their catalog. Lucy handed me one from a stack near her desk. Many hundreds of types of tubes were listed, including everything from the '01A to the most modern American and European types. Rare collector's tubes also were listed, including varieties by DeForest, Moorehead, RCA, and Western Electric (listings of their current rare tube stock are available upon request). All sorts of components, supplies, and books relating to radio repair and restoration filled the catalog.

I was intrigued by the whole concept of a business formed to sell tubes and parts for products of another era. After all, had not numerous electronic supply houses faded from the scene with the decline in the production of tube sets? Why then did this new business seem to be thriving?

It is a goal of the Fathauers to stock everything listed in their catalog (hence, the concern over the late delivery of the bus wire). Fast service has earned them repeat business not only from collectors, but from radio and television servicemen who need to get tubes and parts from old sets quickly, and who account for a large share of sales. So the business thrives primarily on mail-order volume for old and new tubes, with a secondary income

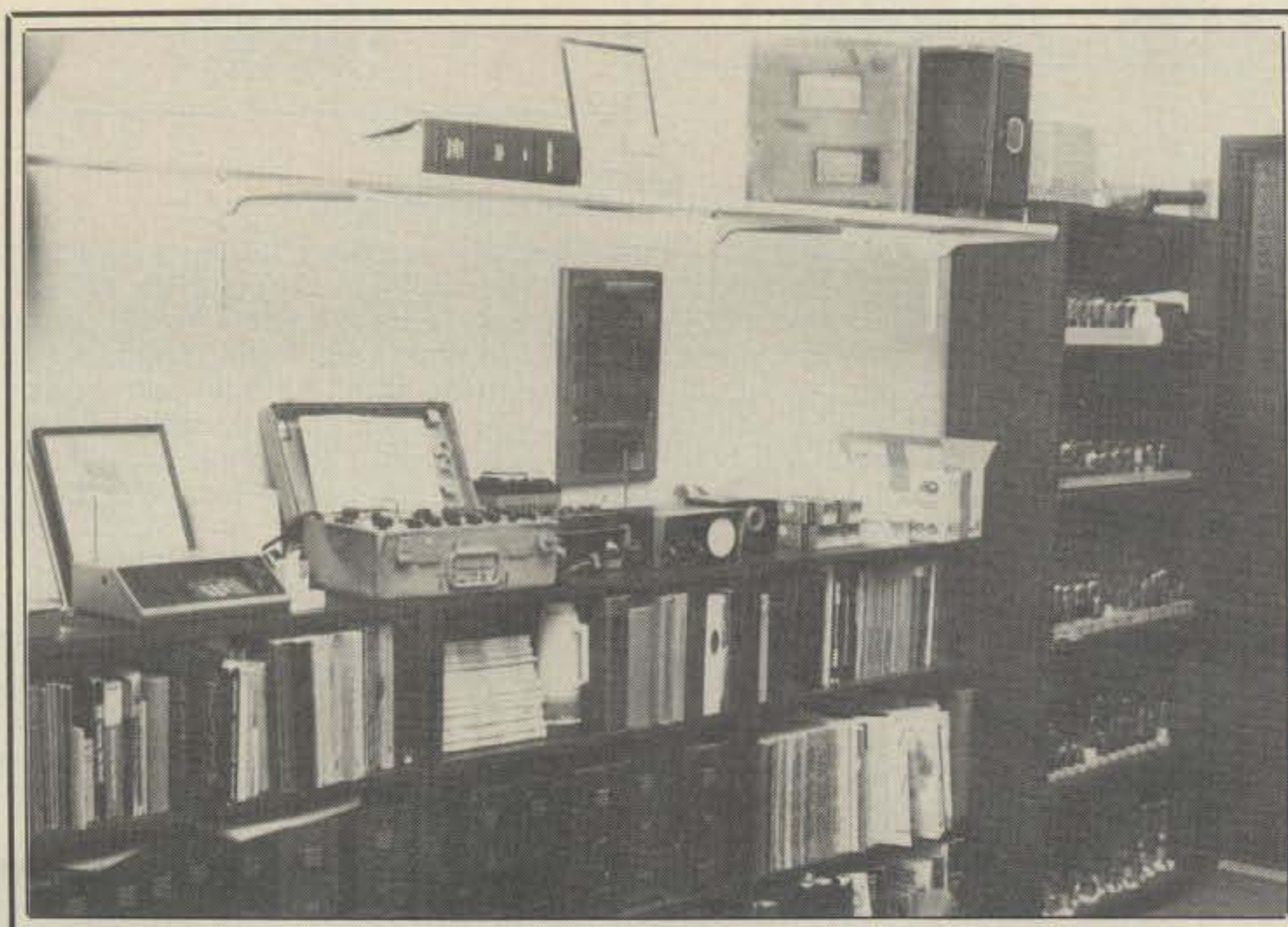


Horn speakers from the '20s, and an early regenerative set, probably one or two tubes.

coming from the sales of materials for repair and restoration. There is now enough demand from across the country (and it seems to be increasing) to support a specialty vendor like Antique Electronic Supply.

I asked George Jr. how the shop got its start.

"In around 1983," he related, "I was doing work in stereo repair as well as some antique restoration. I needed a tube for a 1927 Atwater Kent and had difficulty locating one. In searching for this tube, I found a man in Phoenix who wanted to sell his inventory of about 40,000 old and new tubes." George's entrepreneurial spirit told him that finding this cache of



These shelves hold Rider's service manuals for sets from the '20s through the '50s, and Gernsback's Official Radio Service Manuals.



The shelves hold sets from the '20s through the '50s.

fire bottles could mean much more than merely fulfilling his search for one tube; it could be the seed stock he needed to begin his own business. Very shortly he found himself the proud owner of a large vacuum packaged in 40,000 glass and metal shells.

George Sr. had recently retired from his career as an electronic engineer (he is the inventor of the scanning system widely used in Bearcat scanning receivers, and he designed the first television camera to travel above the stratosphere in America's fledgling space program during the '50s). He agreed to join his son in

founding a business to repair and sell antique radios, with special emphasis on selling tubes and other supplies for them. Thus, the Antique Radio and Tube Company was formed.

The Fathauers needed to build an inventory for their shop, so they began to search for sources of supply. They attended swap meets and joined a number of antique radio collector clubs. A great deal of time was spent in calling individuals, collectors, surplus houses, and shops going out of business—anyone with old tubes or parts. Now they are often on the receiving end of calls from all kinds of

folks peddling electronic goodies. Nevertheless, the search for antique and vintage items represents an ongoing effort that consumes much time.

Despite the appeal of antique radios, the Fathauers have not found it especially profitable to repair and sell them. Indeed at least half of their business comes from tube sales, and not just the antique variety, either. Tubes of all kinds are becoming increasingly hard to find, and this segment of the business is expanding. Also in demand are parts and supplies needed by collectors in the repair and restoration of old sets.

Besides handling a wide range of replacement electronic parts, the Fathauers offer materials for restoration of the appearance of the old sets, too. They had two patterns of old-style grille cloth especially made for use in restoring sets from the '20s and '30s. Reproductions of Philco and RCA emblem decals are available to replace those lost during cabinet refinishing. Cloth-braid-covered power cord and antenna wire, in a silky brown fabric, will preserve the classic look when replacement is needed. They even stock several colors of cloth-covered hookup wire for restoration of the chassis, and of course the tinned square bus bar which was the cause of concern earlier.

Need a special knob for the old set? The Fathauers will search their collection for a matching replacement. Other knobs, old looking in a sort of generic way, are available in brown or black phenolic. And don't forget the wrinkle paint for your metal cabinets and speakers!

Fahnestock clips, fish paper, coils, headphones and cords, mica capacitors, "B" batteries for your '40s portable, power and audio transformers? Yes, they have them, and stuff even more esoteric than that. Galena crystals, station selector dials for your '30s Philco—I could go on, but a postcard will bring you their catalog for yourself!

I mentioned before that the shop has moved to a new, larger quarters and has been renamed "Antique Electronic Supply." Although old sets haven't been the key to the success of the business, since most revenue comes from mail orders, the Fathauers are interested in certain collectible models. Early crystal sets and pre-tube era equipment is desired, and cathedral-top Philco, Atwater Kent, and RCA models are always in demand. Bread-board sets from the 'teens and '20s are sought as well as early sets by DeForest, Greebe, and anything in an especially unusual design or motif. They have some limited interest in round-dial Zenith models, but generally they would prefer to stick to pre-WWII items (even signs, catalogs, and other collectible paraphernalia). Also needed are tube boxes for storage and shipment of all kinds of tubes.



View of the showroom. Most sets are from the '20s and '30s. In the center can be seen an RCA Radiola console with loop antenna (mid-20s production).

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It was time to go. I paid for my *Radio News* and several collecting guides, thanked the Fathauers for their hospitality, and turned to leave. I paused a moment to take in the atmosphere of the shop one last time. George Sr. answered a ringing phone. "Grid voltage for an '01A? Should be around minus 3 or 4½ volts or so; depends on your B+..."

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Sometimes the most memorable part of a DXpedition is the manner in which you get to that rare zone, as can be seen from VE1BHA/3's story.

Contesting From Zone 2

BY JOHN CONNER*, VE1BHA/3

As anyone who has spent any time chasing zones in CQ's WAZ program can tell you, some zones are a lot harder to work than others. One of the rarer ones is Zone 2, which is made up of northern Quebec and Labrador. It is rare chiefly because it is thinly populated. The largest city in the zone is Sept Iles, Quebec, with a population of about 30,000 people. Most settlements in the area are considerably smaller, often numbering only a few hundred persons.

In the summer of 1985 Kent Chown, VE2LJ, was ordained as a minister in the United Church of Canada and received his first posting, to the village of Harrington Harbour. This is a community of about 400 situated on an island in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. It is about 300 miles east of Sept Iles in an area of Quebec known as the Lower North Shore. The significant point about this village for radio amateurs was that it was just far enough north to be in Zone 2.

Since Kent blamed me for getting him involved in contesting, it seemed only fitting to immediately suggest a visit for a multi-single effort. In view of the fact that Kent doesn't admit to owning a microphone, we agreed on the 1986 CQ WW DX CW Contest. A third operator, Steve, VE3SMA, was quickly recruited and we started making plans.

Kent put up a TA33 on a 30 foot tower, and with an amplifier from NCDXF he was soon busy handing out Zone 2 QSOs. We felt that we would want a little more than a TA33 for the contest, so a second tower and 4-element monobanders for 20 and 15 were shipped. We would bring a TS830S and a small tribander with us for use in the multiplier station.

We then turned our attention to how to get to Harrington. This turned out to be a bit complicated. The highway ends just outside of Sept Iles, so driving was impossible. The villages of the Lower North Shore are connected by boat and airplane. But the boat service would not be running in November due to the presence of ice in the Gulf. Therefore, we had no choice but to fly. The airline which serves the area is Quebecair, which uses a fleet of Convair CV580 turboprops for the job.

The itinerary is an interesting exercise in the geography of Quebec. After a short flight from Ottawa to Montreal, we would board a Quebecair flight to Sept Iles, where we would spend the night. The next day, another CV580 would head east from Sept Iles, with stops at Havre St. Pierre, Natashquan and Chevery,



VE2LJ, Kent, at the rig. (The bottle of ketchup is because at the time we were behind and trying to catch up . . . ha ha).

which is the airport nearest to Harrington Island. From there, Quebecair provides helicopter service to the surrounding villages, as well as dropping off passengers for the island. To go to Harrington Harbour, you purchase a ticket for the next stop, Tete-a-la-Baleine, but get off before you get there!

I made reservations in the summer of 1986. Not surprisingly, it was the first time that my travel agent had ever booked a flight to Tete-a-la-Baleine. We would leave Ottawa on Wednesday, November 26, and arrive in Harrington 24 hours later, on Thursday. That would leave Friday for antenna work.

Harrington Bound

On Wednesday VE1BHA and VE3SMA headed for the Ottawa airport. Since it was a bit tough for Kent to get to the local Radio Shack (about 300 miles away in Sept Iles), we carried some RG8, rotor cable, and assorted odds and ends for him. This was in addition to the TS830S, keyer, paddles, logs, antenna wire, and so on that we were bringing for the contest. We could easily have outfitted a small electronics store.

We also had a TH2 tribander packed in a bag normally used to carry skis. This is a great way to carry antennas on airplanes. It provides an

easy way to carry the antenna, and all the ticket agents just take it for skis when you check it. Just don't let them pick it up.

We had been warned that Quebecair was strictly enforcing weight limits for baggage, and we were both carrying roughly twice our allowance. We decided to cross our fingers and hope for the best. Apparently this worked, because at no point in our trip did anyone say anything about our overweight baggage. Well, there was one agent who did seem to think that my "skis" were a bit heavy. He picked up the bag, his eyes bulged, and he said "Oooh la la!" I just tried to look innocent.

We arrived in Sept Iles at 2230 that night and were soon settled into our hotel for a good night's sleep and our 1030 departure for Harrington.

Thursday morning dawned bright and clear, and we headed back to the airport. We staggered up to the counter with our bags, desperately trying to make it appear that we had nothing but air and feathers in them. We gave our tickets to the agents, who informed us that our flight had been cancelled due to bad weather to the east.

Now anyone who travels in eastern Canada in the winter soon gets used to this happening. Steve and I are both former VE1s, so we took

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Steve, VE3SMA, looking for multipliers.



This is how you get to and from the island.

this bit of news philosophically. The agent said that the flight might go later in the day, so we sat down to wait.

Sept Iles is the transportation hub of the Lower North Shore, so there is a fair amount of traffic through the airport. During our wait we saw several types of light aircraft, a DC9, and a couple of DC3s. What we didn't see was a plane headed for Harrington Harbour.

At 1 p.m. the flight was scrubbed, so we collected our luggage and headed back into town. We were now a bit concerned. Tomorrow was Friday, the day of the contest. We had to be in Harrington tomorrow.

Friday morning arrived heavily overcast and with snow. Back to the airport we went, thinking that there was no way that we would be going anywhere. Naturally, we were soon on a flight headed for Harrington.

As the CV580 droned through the clouds, we came up with a theory. Our CV580 to Sept Iles had flown in bad weather, and this trip was also being made in bad weather. Perhaps they could only fly in this kind of weather, which we came to refer to affectionately as "murk."

Our first stop was Havre St Pierre. After a few passengers got on, the plane taxied out to the end of the runway and turned around to line up for takeoff. As it did so, we could see the runway out the window. I looked at Steve, he looked at me, and we both agreed that it looked awfully short. The pilot locked the brakes, revved the engines up to maximum, let the brakes off, and we churned up off the tarmac and back into the murk.

At 3 o'clock that afternoon we arrived at Chevery in cold, snowy weather. Since we had not made our flight the day before, we were wait-listed for Friday's helicopter flight. The pilot would make his regular run and then come back to take us out to the island.

The airport at Chevery is not a big building, with the ticket office, freight office, arrival and departure lounges, plus the air-traffic-control center all being in the same 15 by 30 foot room. We sat there trying to relax, but found it difficult because of the behavior of the airport manager. He kept looking out the window, watching it snow harder and harder and get darker (twilight is about 4 o'clock), and shaking his head and saying "Tsk! Tsk! Closing in fast." I had visions of spending the contest in the airport.

We had, of course, noticed the radio under

the airport counter, so we heard the pilot when he radioed in and said, "Tell those guys to get their luggage ready and wait outside." Quicker than you could say 5902, we bundled our stuff out the door onto the tarmac. The chopper appeared out of the gloom and we loaded it up. (Should you ever be in a similar position, you might be interested to know that a ski bag full of antennas only just fits in the cabin of a Bell Long Ranger.) With Steve in one seat, myself in another, and the 830 in a third, we headed off. Somewhere in the gathering darkness out there was Harrington Island.

Although it might seem strange, this was the first time in two days that I really had a chance to relax, even with exciting newspaper headlines composing themselves in my head: "Helicopter Ditches in Gulf. Three Killed." The water looked very cold and uninviting.

After about 15 minutes Harrington emerged out of the dark. The helicopter swooped in and touched down on the pad. We piled out, tossed our bags onto the pad, fell on top of them, and the chopper leaped off into the swirling snow. We had arrived! I checked my watch. Three hours until contest time.

We later found out that our pilot, Bob, had flown in Vietnam. This may have had something to do with the fact that he made the flight at all. Thanks, Bob.

We held a quick council of war with Kent to decide what had to be done in the way of antenna work. We decided to put up the second tower and string a 40 meter loop between the two towers. Despite the dark, the wind, and the -10°C weather, the work was finished by 0010Z. Sadly, the two monobanders and the second tribander were never to be unpacked.

On The Air

The first 24 hours of the contest went well, with about 1200 QSOs in the log. Then the aurora hit. During the next 24 hours, we eeked out another 600 QSOs. Well, if you go to the auroral zone for a contest, you shouldn't complain about aurora. Kent did say that the northern lights were very pretty, though.

We had no 10 meter propagation, and only 4 hours on 15 on Saturday. The result was a score of about 1.1M—a bit disappointing, but a new high for a Zone 2 CW effort.



Looking out Kent's front window toward Harrington Harbour with typical weather.

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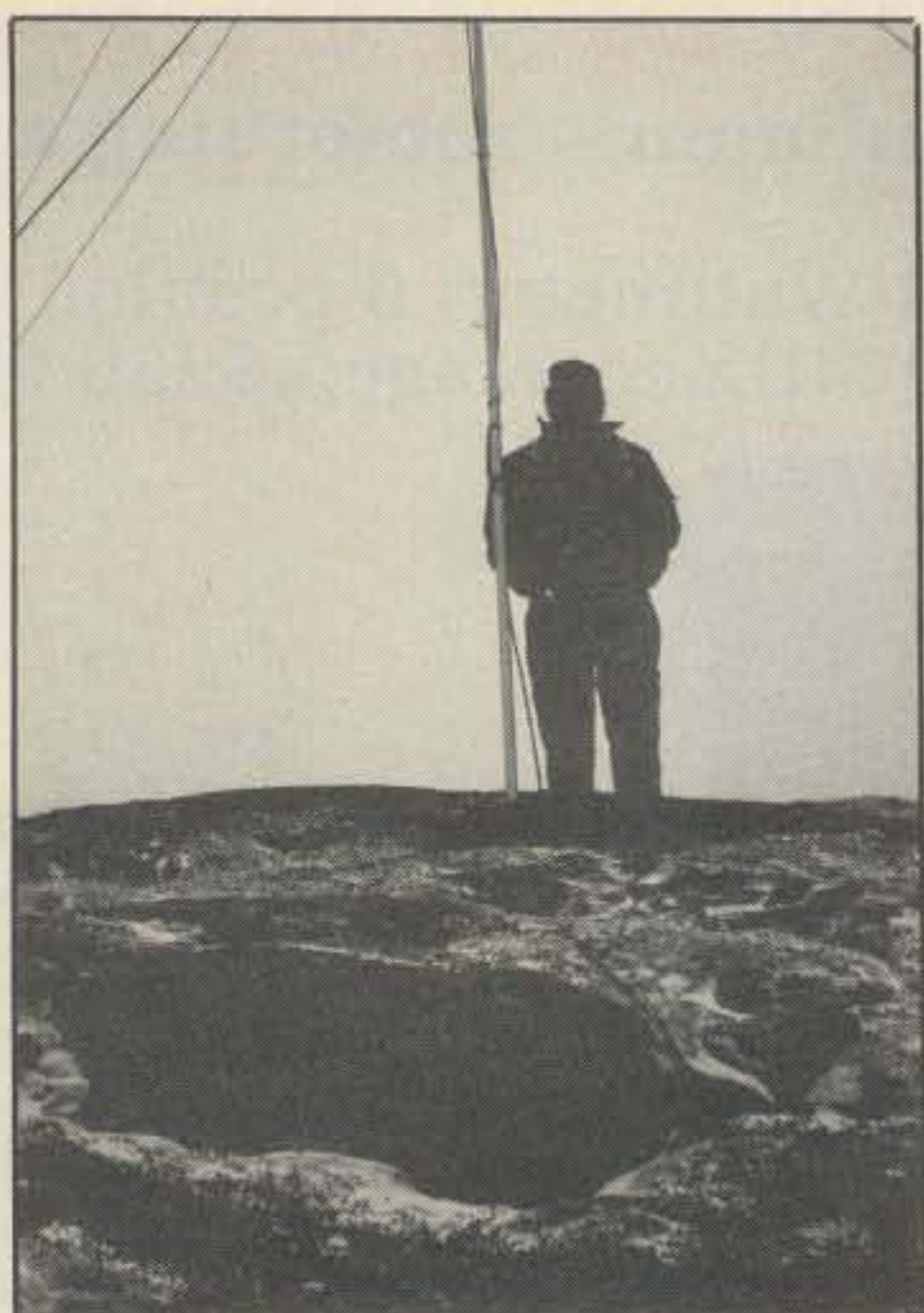
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Kent standing beside the mast for the inverted vee. Note the overcast sky, typical weather for Harrington Harbour. Also note Kent's outfit—a survival suit designed to keep you alive if you end up in the Gulf of St. Lawrence in winter, when the water temperature is about 3°C. Survival time without a suit would be ½ hour. The suits are great for working on antennas in the winter and are the usual dress in winter in Harrington.

On Monday we dismantled our part of the station and returned to Chevery. As we were preparing to take off from Chevery, the stewardess asked everyone to please move forward, saying we could return to our seats when we were in the air. I figured it was due to a peculiarly heavy pair of skis in the hold.

Tuesday morning saw us headed west for Montreal, where we were to change planes for Ottawa. While we were waiting, the pilot refused the aircraft, and we had to wait until another was made available. We finally arrived later Tuesday night back in Ottawa, only to find out that it was the only airport open for miles! A major snowstorm was blanketing the region. It seemed a fitting end to our trip, and we thought it very unlikely that we would do it again. But...

We went to Dayton in 1987, and on our way back we decided to give it another try that fall. I guess we got caught up in the atmosphere or something. I plead temporary insanity. I can't speak for Steve. Never make decisions on these sorts of things at Dayton.

1987

Having learned from the previous trip, we made our reservations for one day earlier, decided not to take the tribander, and asked Kent to see if he could arrange for some better propagation.

With our departure all set for Tuesday morning, I happened to pick up a new schedule for the airline on Sunday night. (In the interim, Quebecair had been bought and was now called Inter-Canadian.) In looking through their schedule, I noticed that I didn't seem to be able to find any of our flights listed. A few panicky calls at midnight Sunday confirmed that the airline had rearranged their flights, but some-

how we had never been told about this! Worse, the airline was closed until 6 a.m., so there was little that could be done until then.

First thing Monday I was on the phone to Inter-Canadian. Yes, they said, the flights had been changed. But there was no problem, as all our flights had been rebooked. Well, they certainly had. We now had about a half-hour to change planes in Sept Iles and were spending the night in Quebec City. Our hotel rooms, of course, were in Sept Iles!

I spent my lunch hour Monday rebooking our flights and trying not to have a stroke. Monday afternoon I sat in my office muttering, "I hate ham radio!"

Off Again

Tuesday, November 24th, we were once again on a CV580 bound for Sept Iles, and Wednesday morning we were on another CV580 headed for Chevery! What a difference from the year before. Much to our surprise, CV580s can fly in nice weather. They just prefer abominal weather.

After a very pleasant flight we landed in Chevery, transferred to the helicopter, and flew over to the island. We arrived exactly on schedule.

We spent the next few days doing antenna work, and by noon Friday we had nothing to do. It was a strange feeling to spend Friday afternoon before a contest sitting around reading.

The station now had a TA33, 4 elements on 20 meters, a 40 meter dipole, a 40 meter inverted Vee that we had installed on the top of the hill behind Kent's house, a longwire, and a 160 meter inverted L. Incidentally, there are literally no trees on the island, which can make antenna work challenging, to say the least.

The Contest

Apparently, Kent had even managed to satisfy our request for better propagation, and we were able to come up with 2800 QSOs and just under 2.5 million points, the highest contest score ever from Zone 2. We knew we were having fun after working D44BC on six bands, all on skeds made at his request!

We even managed to eat pretty well this

time around. One of Kent's parishoners contributed two homemade pizzas to the effort, but we did have to make due without any pepperoni on them. There wasn't any on the island.

We dismantled the station on Sunday night in preparation for an early departure on Monday. However, Murphy was about to make up for not getting us with the flight mix-up. He showed up in the form of a snowstorm. We spent Monday waiting to see if the helicopter was going to come to get us. It didn't. Having nothing better to do, we spent the day chasing DX and telling the people we worked that we were marooned, which was true enough. We were stuck on an island with no way off. My dictionary says that to be marooned is to be put ashore in a desolate place with no way off. Trust me; we were marooned!

On Tuesday, having learned from bitter experience not to trust the airline, we checked our reservations. Our flights for Monday had been projected forward to Tuesday. However, our Tuesday flights had not been changed. Once again, I rebooked our flights, and we waited to see if the helicopter would come.

This time we were in luck, and the flight went on schedule. We were soon having lunch in the best restaurant in Chevery. It must be the best. It's the only restaurant in Chevery.

While we were sitting there after lunch, a fisherman who was waiting for the same flight that we were kept going to the window, looking out, shaking his head, and saying, "Tsk! Tsk!" I recognized this behavior from the year before. I didn't look out the window. I didn't want to know.

Ups and Downs

At 3 o'clock we walked back to the airport through a driving rainstorm to meet the incoming flight. The plane continues east from Chevery to Blanc Sablon, on the easternmost tip of Quebec, and then makes the trip in reverse back to Sept Iles. We were just there for entertainment.

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Sunset at VE2LJ. The mast is a support for a 40 meter inverted vee on top of a hill behind the shack. The object just to the right of the sun is a cairn which commemorates a visit to the island by Jacques Cartier.



Steve, VE3SMA, standing on the beach. Caribbean expeditioners get to stand on the beach wearing Hawaiian shirts and shorts. Zone 2 expeditioners get to wear parkas and boots. In the background is the Gulf of St. Lawrence. That's snow in the foreground.

mile visibility in heavy rain. "Aha," we thought, "CV580 weather!"

The manager was watching out the window, waiting to see the plane. Nothing. Still nothing. He shook his head and said, "He's gone down over." I thought about this rather alarming phrase, and decided it meant that the pilot had decided not to land at Chevery, but to keep going east. (All directions on the Lower North Shore are either up stream or down stream with reference to the St. Lawrence River. One, therefore, goes up to Sept Iles from Chevery and down to Blanc Sablon.)

Suddenly the plane materialized out of the murk and landed. He hadn't gone down after all. I don't know why, but something about the terminology in connection with airplanes bothers me.

In any case, it turned out to be a good thing

that we had gone to the airport. After a few quick discussions, it was decided that all of Chevery's passengers would get on now, both those going down (to Blanc Sablon) and those going up (to Sept Iles). The plane would then not have to stop at Chevery on the westbound trip. After some confusion and milling about, we were all put aboard. Thus, we found ourselves in the curious position of being on our way to Sept Iles while going east from Chevery. It's like going from Pittsburgh to St. Louis by first going to New York.

This was CV580 weather with a vengeance. Drinks were served on the ground instead of in flight. The plane was slightly steadier on the ground.

Late that night we emerged from the gloom at Sept Iles, kissed the ground, collected our baggage, and headed back to our hotel. By

now we knew our way around Sept Iles better than we have ever dreamed we would.

Wednesday was our flight from Sept Iles to Montreal. To our surprise, we were flying in a jet—a Fokker F28! This was luxury indeed. When we arrived in Montreal, though, and checked in for our flight to Ottawa, we were told that the flight was cancelled. "Good grief! Not again!" we wailed. The agent gave us a slightly puzzled look, and said that we had been projected forward onto the next flight. After a rather long wait in the airport, we had one last CV580 trip to Ottawa.

Conclusion

Between the two contests we gave out 4600 QSOs. Kent himself has made another 10K, so you have only yourself to blame if you haven't worked Zone 2 on CW.

Kent will be doing single operator in 1988, since he will probably be leaving Harrington Harbour in 1989, possibly for another rare zone. Maybe he would like some guest operators there.

In reading this over, I find that it is mostly about the trips and not very much about the actual contests. But then we spent more time going there and coming back than we did actually operating. In one sense, the actual operating was anticlimactic and doesn't stand out that much in my mind. The airports and the interiors of CV580s are indelibly etched in my mind, however. A trip like this begins to make you appreciate just how big a country Canada is.

The story of these two contest expeditions truly is in the expeditions, not in the contests.

In closing, I have to thank two people for making it all possible. First is Kent Chown, VE2LJ, for letting us come, disrupt his station, eat his food, and abuse his callsign. Second is Kent's hard working QSL manager, John VE3JDO, who didn't know what he was getting himself into when he volunteered for the job, but who has done yeoman service in processing Kent's cards quickly and efficiently.

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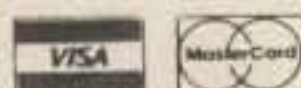
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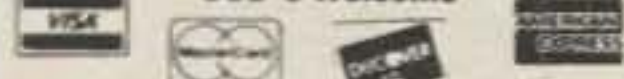
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BY W. PAUL WING*, K1WVX

More and more amateurs are trying 10 meter FM! One reason for this is that most of the new lowband transceivers include FM as standard equipment. Another reason is that the availability of 10 meter FM repeaters and mobile rigs has made 10 meter mobiling a lot of fun. Also, many citizen band rigs have been converted to 10 meters.

A number of overseas stations operate 10 meter FM. Recently I worked a station in the Canary Islands on simplex with only 10 watts output. (I forgot to turn on the amplifier.) I also worked a Djibouti station in East Africa through an American repeater.

For those who have not tried 10 meter FM, I will explain the various options that are available in frequencies, transceivers, low-power amplifiers, and antennas. You will see that you can try 10 meter FM in almost any price range. Also, don't overlook the fact that the sunspot cycle is on its way up!

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The band plan specifies only one simplex frequency, which is 29.60 MHz. Since this is the calling frequency, you should move to another frequency after making contact. When changing frequency, remember to avoid the 29.3 to 29.5 MHz amateur radio satellite subband as well as the repeater input and output frequencies.

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Table I—Components suppliers.

peaters. In this case you just use the 10 meter input frequency and your signal will be automatically retransmitted on the VHF or UHF repeater output frequency.

Experience has shown that the main problem with 10 meter FM is the lack of frequencies for both repeater and simplex operation. Since 10 meter FM is becoming more popular, it would appear that the satellite subband should be narrowed or shifted down in frequency so as to make room for a wider FM subband.

Transceivers

Most of the major amateur radio manufacturers now include FM modulation on their low-band transceivers. Mobile brackets are available for most of the models that operate on 13 volts. Several companies are advertising new 10 meter mobile type transceivers that are very compact. There are some older 10 meter FM transceivers appearing on the second-hand market. Most of the solid-state ones that are second hand have 10 watts output.

Many excellent magazine articles have been written about converting CB transceiver printed circuit boards to 10 meter FM. The most popular conversions are those using Cybernet board numbers

33AOX, 36AOX, 39AOX, and Hy-Gain board number 75A080 (see bibliography entry number one at the end of this article). Some of these boards are still available on the surplus market for about \$7.00 each. Some of the best magazine articles about converting these boards are listed in the bibliography. At least two companies sell kits which consist of a board, some other items needed to make the conversion, and the conversion directions. Suppliers of boards and kits are included in Table I. Since you would still have to add a cabinet, speaker, microphone, and many miscellaneous parts, the job is easier if you start by converting a complete CB transceiver that has one of the board numbers listed above. Some (but not all) of the transceivers made by Hy-Gain, Kraco, Midland, Pearce-Simpson (Tiger 40A), and Lafayette used these boards. Usually the board numbers can be checked by just removing the top cover. The majority of the converted transceivers sound very good and do not cause television interference.

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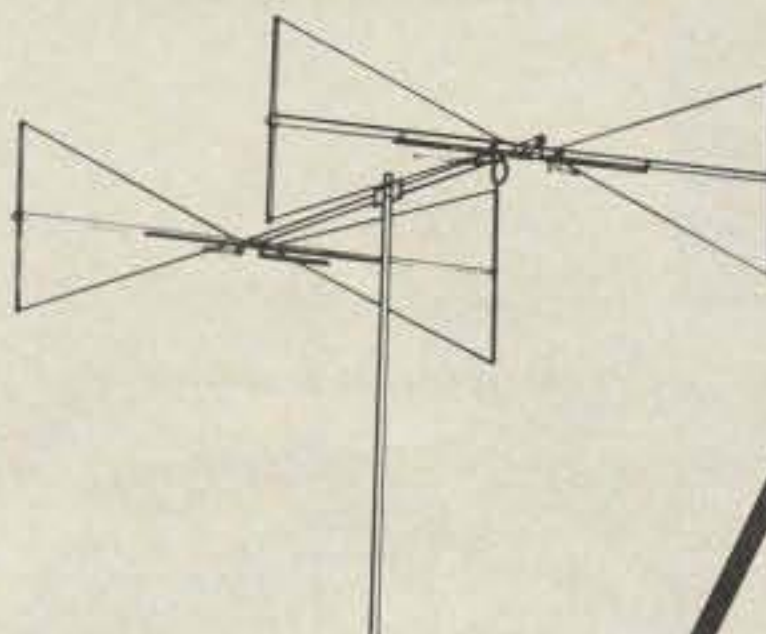
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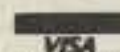
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The 10 meter amplifier is located to the right of the Azden transceiver. The low-pass filter can be seen near the back of the transceiver.

skip if you use higher power. The FCC ban on the manufacture of CB and 10 meter amplifiers is still in effect. This ban was instituted to prevent CB operators from obtaining amplifiers to use illegally. Fortunately, stable and effective amplifiers are easy to construct, and it is legal for amateurs to build and use them on 10 meters.

Motorola manufactures a number of power transistors that are suitable for 10 meter amplifiers, and they only cost about \$15 each. The most appropriate

ones are shown in Table II. Although each of these transistors costs about the same amount, the cost of the 13 volt DC supply to power the amplifier goes up with increasing size. This is the reason why Table II also shows the approximate DC current that is required for each transistor. I used one Motorola MRF454 transistor in my amplifier, and I share the DC power supply with my 2 meter amplifier. The 10 meter amplifier is shown to the right of the Azden 10 watt transceiver in the pho-

Motorola Part Number	Rated Power (watts)	Approximate Current Required at 12.5 VDC (Amps)
MRF 450	50	9
MRF 453	60	10.7
MRF 454	80	14.2

Table II—Amplifier power transistors.

to. The shared DC power supply is located remotely. The small DC power supply in the photo is used to power the Azden transceiver separately. The interior of the amplifier is shown in another photo. The amplifier enclosure is larger than required so that there is room to mount a low-pass filter inside.

The Motorola MRF454 transistor needs only 3.5 watts of drive power to deliver its full output of 80 watts. The Motorola data sheet for this transistor includes a schematic and parts list for a 10 meter amplifier that uses one of these transistors. This "test circuit schematic" is not intended to be a complete construction document so it does not include a carrier operated relay (COR) circuit. The two-transistor amplifier shown in Motorola Engineering Bulletin No. EB63 includes a COR circuit designed for an RF input of 1 to 5 watts. This range is just right for the converted CB transceivers. You can use this COR circuit with the single transistor amplifiers.

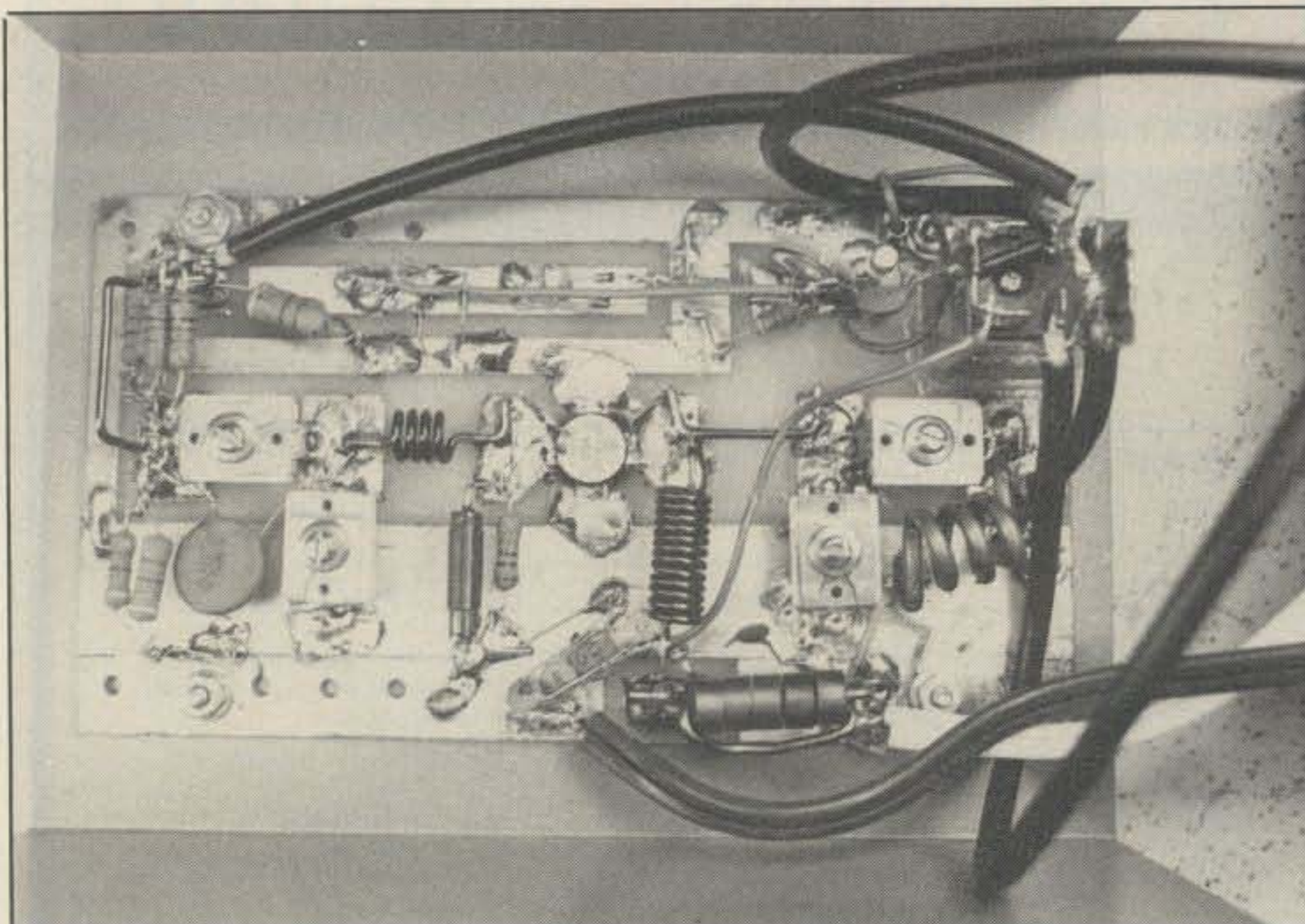
I used an amplifier design that was slightly different from the one in the MRF454 bulletin and I had difficulty getting full power output. Other amateurs who have followed the bulletin have not had this difficulty. Table I includes suppliers of most of the amplifier parts that are not available at Radio Shack.

Low-Pass Filter

Solid-state amplifiers are often rich in harmonics. It is therefore good practice to add a low-pass filter right after the amplifier so as to prevent television interference. A compact four-section low-pass filter which is rated at 100 watts is available on the surplus market at a low price. This filter can be seen near the back of the Azden transceiver in the first photo. The filter enclosure does not have a bottom cover. However, one can easily be made from scrap aluminum or aluminum flashing material. The supplier of this filter is also listed in Table I.

Antennas

Vertical polarization is standard for 10 meter FM. Vertically polarized beams as well as ground-plane antennas are used. Some of these antennas have been converted from citizen-band antennas by reducing the length of the elements. Five-eighth-wave citizen-band antennas have substantial gain and have also been con-



The amplifier has a single Motorola MRF 454A transistor located near the center of the printed circuit board. The relay is mounted at the upper right-hand corner of the board.

verted. The Cushcraft 10 meter Ringo Ranger antenna has substantial gain and does not require radials because it is one-half wavelength long.

Many amateurs are using their horizontally polarized beams with good results. The beams have high gain, and many operators believe that the original polarization is lost when the signal skips off the ionosphere. My tribander has a standing-wave ratio above 3:1 at the FM frequencies, so I use a separate antenna. An antenna tuner could also be used to provide an acceptable match.

As a temporary measure I mounted my Hustler 10 meter mobile antenna inside my attic and equipped it with four radials made of lamp-cord wire. The tuning whip had to be trimmed slightly in order to resonate at 29.6 MHz. It was mounted on a homemade base which used the Radio Shack 3/8"-24 stud mounting hardware (catalog No. 21-950). A considerable number of skip contacts were made with this modest antenna.

At 10 meters RG8 coaxial cable is preferred over smaller diameter cables such as RG8-X or RG58 because it has lower loss. This is especially true for long runs of cable. One third of the transmitter power is lost when using 100 feet of the best RG58/U foam cable. The loss is proportional to length. For example, one sixth of the power is lost if 50 feet of RG58/U foam cable is used. The RG8-X cable is the second choice because its loss is also less than RG58 cable. This cable is only slightly larger in diameter than RG58.

Mobile Operation

If you like mobile operation, you will find that 10 meter FM is a lot of fun. The band skips very well when it is open, and you can take advantage of this to make long-distance mobile contacts. The use of amplifiers, and the option to use repeaters, makes long-distance contacts more likely. Remember, however, that safe driving is more important than long-distance contacts.

Most amateurs are apprehensive about the theft of mobile equipment. In this case, the option to use a converted citizens-band transceiver, or transceiver board, with a moderately priced home-made amplifier significantly reduces the cost and therefore the concern about theft.

Safety Precautions

Be cautious when you are stationary and operating your mobile rig on any band! Bumper-mounted antennas are so low that young children can easily touch them, and even most adults don't realize that they can get an RF burn by touching a mobile antenna. Don't forget that you can get an RF burn when your amplifier is being operated out of its enclosure for adjustment.

Also, if you assemble a transceiver from a printed circuit board or build an amplifier, don't forget to fuse the DC input.

Final Comments

Besides being a very interesting band to use, the options to convert citizen-band equipment and to build amplifiers provides the opportunity to construct equipment that performs very well at low cost. There are not many opportunities to do this today without running into parts procurement problems or taking on elaborate, time-consuming projects.

There may be other suppliers who still have Cybernet boards or other components. It was not my intention to leave out any suppliers. However, I only listed the ones I know have had parts within the last 12 months.

I would like to thank Rob, WB1AEX, and Darryl, WA1WYN, for helping me to get started on 10 meter FM. If you have any questions, please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Don't put off trying 10 meter FM any longer! Remember that the sunspot cycle is on the way up!

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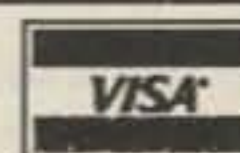
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3.5	P40R('87)	552,786	1,628	23	91
	(Opr. K4UEE)				
7.0	EA8RCT('87)	859,362	1,959	32	115
	(Opr. OH2MM)				
14	VP2KAA('81)	2,011,185	4,186	37	150
21	PY5EG('87)	2,468,529	4,421	38	151
28	YV2AMM('82)	1,839,004	3,700	37	130

AFRICA

1.8	EA8AK('82)	34,220	201	12	46
3.5	CT3BZ('79)	235,113	772	22	87
7.0	EA8RCT('87)	859,362	1,959	32	115
	(Opr. OH2MM)				
14	CR6WW('74)	1,058,446	2,152	35	132
21	EL2AV('81)	1,404,936	3,087	35	117
28	OH2MM/CT3('79)	1,827,150	4,068	37	113

ASIA

1.8	UG7GWO('87)	255,852	1,327	12	57
3.5	UW9AF('83)	222,192	554	19	53
7.0	JA8IXM('86)	316,382	794	37	109
14	RF0FWW('87)	1,447,128	2,894	40	147
	(Opr. UF6FFF)				
21	4S7AAG('81)	918,925	2,897	38	137
	(Opr. OH2BCP)				
28	4X0U('80)	1,187,200	2,555	37	123
	(Opr. 4X4UH)				

EUROPE

1.8	LZ2CJ('84)	107,818	1,319	13	61
3.5	UA2FGA('87)	196,992	1,271	28	86
7.0	IO3MAU('87)	430,332	1,657	34	107
14	LZ1KGB('87)	1,388,628	3,168	39	165
	(Opr. LZ1JY)				
21	LZ2KTS('83)	1,368,897	2,821	39	152
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1.8	VE3BMV('86)	52,240	662	14	26
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OCEANIA

1.8	KH6CC('85)	45,984	484	13	19
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7.0	T32AF('84)	677,844	2,045	34	80
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14	ZM1BIL('83)	1,334,232	2,635	38	136
21	AH0AB('82)	1,923,840	4,509	36	108
	(Opr. JA3DOC)				
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SOUTH AMERICA

1.8	YV2IF('84)	18,291	172	14	25
3.5	P40R('87)	552,786	1,628	23	91
	(Opr. K4UEE)				
7.0	9Y4VU('84)	700,488	1,718	28	110
14	P40SS('87)	1,792,056	3,570	35	133
	(Opr. K2SS)				
21	PY5EG('87)	2,468,529	4,421	38	151
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AF	EA8AK('81)	9,974,811	5,506	152	457
AS	EX6F('84)	6,362,000	4,648	113	387
EU	YU3EY('82)	4,913,574	3,170	136	455
NA	HI8PGG('81)	9,009,721	7,190	131	392
	(Opr. N1GL)				
O	KH6XX('81)	5,713,434	4,912	131	262
SA	9Y4VT('82)	11,954,696	7,082	146	422
	(Opr. N6AA)				
QRP	PJ2FR('87)	3,171,166	3,212	100	234
	(Opr. K7SS)				

WORLD RECORD

Station	Band	Contacts	Zones	Countries
	1.8	39	7	9
9Y4VT	3.5	404	17	57
(1982)	7.0	748	25	78
11,954,696	14.0	1,620	32	89
	21.0	1,476	34	96
	28.0	2,795	31	93
Total		7,082	146	422

Multi-Operator/Single Xmtr.

AF	ED9CM('83)	10,157,160	5,148	152	511
AS	RG6G('82)	12,276,352	6,012	156	558
EU	I4RYC('80)	9,918,368	5,997	139	453
NA	NP4A('82)	14,953,818	8,772	174	585
O	KH6XX('85)	7,632,357	5,657	149	308
SA	9Y4W('82)	16,775,034	8,097	158	540

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Station	Band	Contacts	Zones	Countries
	1.8	124	8	25
9Y4W	3.5	296	17	59
(1982)	7.0	594	27	86
16,775,034	14.0	1,953	35	127
	21.0	2,104	35	121
	28.0	3,026	36	122
Total		8,097	158	540

Multi-Operator/Multi-Xmtr.

AF	EA8CR('77)	21,351,898	10,290	153	544
AS	EW6V('82)	18,746,136	10,100	142	544
EU	OH0W('82)	19,030,501	10,773	188	729
NA	VP2KC('79)	37,770,012	17,767	175	677
O	KH6XX('79)	21,990,252	10,989	184	494
SA	P41C('81)	41,957,244	17,718	173	625

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Station	Band	Contacts	Zones	Countries
	1.8	261	9	21
P41C	3.5	861	22	69
(1981)	7.0	1,752	30	98
41,957,244	14.0	4,837	38	156
	21.0	5,790	39	143
	28.0	4,813	35	138
Total		17,718	173	625

CQ World-Wide DX Contest All-Time C.W. Records

Single Operator/Single Band

WORLD RECORD HOLDERS

1.8	YV3AGT('85)	147,588	591	21	63
3.5	P40R('86)	576,725	1,682	25	90
	(Opr. K4UEE)				
7.0	VP2KAA('83)	837,366	2,461	30	104
	(Opr. N4PN)				
14	P40N('86)	1,477,905	3,138	37	122
	(Opr. N4PN)				
21	LO8WW('87)	1,391,355	3,198	37	110
	(Opr. LU8DQ)				
28	LU8DQ('79)	1,033,399	2,775	34	93

AFRICA

1.8	EA8AK('82)	75,768	385	15	51
3.5	EA8RCT('86)	441,350	1,524	22	75
7.0	EA7TL/9('83)	354,308	1,175	21	80
14	EA8ID('87)	1,212,384	2,336	39	134
	(Opr. DK3GI)				
21	5H3BH('87)	1,098,810	2,542	38	107
	(Opr. SM0AJU)				
28	FR0MM('79)	978,012	2,590	36	90

ASIA

1.8	UP2NK/UF('87)	113,718	613	12	54
3.5	ZC4DX('87)	430,560	1,318	29	88
	(Opr. 4Z4DX)				
7.0	UP3BA/UF('86)	696,134	1,875	32	92
14	4X0U('82)	735,504			
21	4Z4NUT('80)	519,831	1,500	34	83
28	4X4UH('80)	554,645	1,772	32	83

EUROPE

1.8	HB9AMO('87)	97,064	762	19	69
3.5	UA2FGA('87)	403,686	1,918	30	93
7.0	YU3ZV('87)	709,104	2,012	38	120
14	DK3GI('86)	822,024	2,006	39	129
21	YU3ZV('81)	732,096	1,957	37	107
28	DK3GI('79)	592,848	1,584	31	101

NORTH AMERICA

1.8	K5UR('85)	47,005	219	25	60
3.5	VP2KAC('83)	332,880	1,302	28	86
	(Opr. N4RJ)				
7.0	VP2KAA('83)	837,366	2,461	30	104
	(Opr. N4PN)				
14	VP2KAA('80)	1,244,782	3,111	37	117
	(Opr. N4PN)				
21	VP2KAC('80)	1,075,407	2,955	36	105
	(Opr. N4RJ)				
28	KV4FZ('79)	653,072	2,384	32	87

OCEANIA

1.8	KH6CC('85)	23,746	257	15	16
3.5	VR3AH('76)	178,560	956	24	40
7.0	KH6XX('84)	427,230	1,424	33	68
14	KH6MD('85)	610,722	1,640	37	89
21	KH6XX('78)	816,102	2,311	38	81
	(Opr. K7SS)				
28	KG6DX('80)	801,876	2,367	35	79

SOUTH AMERICA

1.8	YV3AGT('85)	147,588	591	21	63
3.5	P40R('86)	576,725	1,682	25	90
	(Opr. K4UEE)				
7.0	YW1O('87)	758,898	2,016	32	94
	(Opr. YV1DIG)				
14	P40N('86)	1,477,905	3,138	37	122
	(Opr. N4PN)				
21	LO8WW('87)	1,391,355	3,198	37	110
	(Opr. LU8DQ)				
28	LU8DQ('79)	1,033,399	2,775	34	93

Single Operator/All Band

AF	9Q5NW('87)	7,586,300	4,768	150	385
	(Opr. N6AA)				
AS	5B4TI('87)	5,816,907	3,949	126	387
	(Opr. N6ZZ)				
EU	I4IND('87)	4,188,034	3,204	147	395
NA	NP4A('87)	7,247,448	5,382	140	394
	(Opr. N2NT)				
O	N6BT/AH0('81)	4,241,746	4,083	121	228
SA	FY5YE('87)	8,201,163	5,307	142	381
	(Opr. OH2MM)				
QRP	UP2BIM('82)	899,932	1,351	83	279

WORLD RECORD

Station	Band	Contacts	Zones	Countries
	1.8	122	12	27
FY5YE	3.5	297	16	41
(1987)	7.0	805	24	63
8,201,163	14.0	1,305	35	89
	21.0	1,807	30	83
	28.0	971	25	78
Total		5,307	142	381

Multi-Operator/Single Xmtr.

AF	EA8AGD('87)	9,816,540	5,763	144	426
AS	RG6G('82)	10,394,658	5,355	166	511
EU	YU3EY('81)	7,674,190	4,051	150	345
NA	NP4A('82)	11,648,565	6,881	168	515
O	KD7P/KH2('84)	4,487,665	3,375	159	296
SA	P41E('81)	8,059,296	5,055	148	388

WORLD RECORD

Station	Band	Contacts	Zones	Countries
	1.8	172	15	35
NP4A	3.5	589	23	73
(1982)	7.0	1,342	28	92
11,648,565	14.0	1,270	36	108
	21.0	1,547	34	106
	28.0	1,661	32	101
Total		6,881	168	515

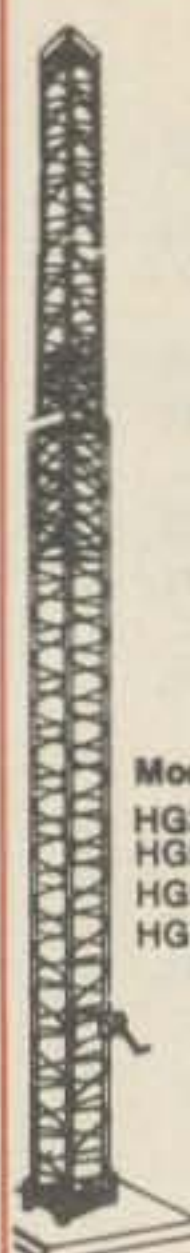
Multi-Operator/Multi-Xmtr.

AF	EA9EA('87)	23,425,035	11,131	172	533
AS	EW6V('82)	14,702,688	8,001	159	504
EU	OH0W('82)	14,371,840	9,515	184	618
NA	KP2A('87)	25,019,982	12,387	188	595
O	AH0C('83)	6,877,750	5,164	149	302
SA	P42E('82)	23,295,408	12,315	161	475

WORLD RECORD

Station	Band	Contacts	Zones	Countries
	1.8	711	23	65
KP2A	3.5	890	23	77
(1987)	7.0	2,502	34	115
25,019,982	14.0	3,422	39	129
	21.0	2,417	37	103
	28.0	2,445	32	106
Total		12,387	188	595

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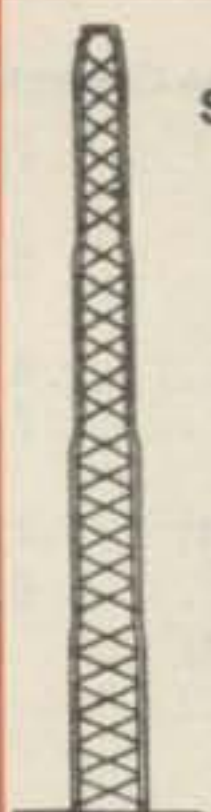
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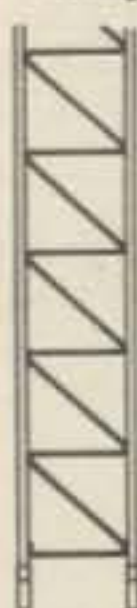
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TX472	23'	72'	18 sq ft	2279
HDX555	22'	55'	30 sq ft	2079
HDX572	23'	72'	30 sq ft	3559

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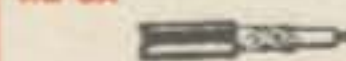
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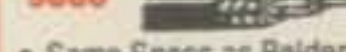
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Tabulated below are the record-high scores achieved by U.S. Contesters in the CQ World Wide DX Contest. Number groups following calls and bands are: year of operation, total score, contacts, zones, and countries.

PHONE

Single Operator/Single Band

1.8	WB9HAD('87)	27,181	157	23	54
3.5	K7SS('86)	217,038	828	31	91
7.0	W7RM('85) (Opr. W7WA)	243,270	813	31	71
14	K1OX('85) (Opr. KC1F)	1,131,328	2,176	36	140
21	K3RV/4('86)	925,031	1,821	35	138
28	N7DD('80)	754,536	1,730	36	113

Single Operator/All Band

Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Countries
	1.8	27	8	19
K1AR	3.5	168	24	80
(1985)	7.0	97	22	67
4,007,648	14.0	1,073	34	116
	21.0	1,007	28	109
	28.0	98	13	36
Total		2,465	129	427

Multi-Operator/Single Xmtr.

Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Countries
	1.8	34	14	30
KX4S	3.5	208	24	80
(1985)	7.0	222	30	101
4,603,120	14.0	1,167	34	134
	21.0	769	31	118
	28.0	41	15	40
Total		2,441	147	505

Multi-Operator/Multi-Xmtr.

Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Countries
	1.8	109	8	16
N2AA	3.5	406	24	79
(1979)	7.0	366	28	84
13,299,750	14.0	1,646	40	152
	21.0	2,198	40	144
	28.0	1,354	36	120
Total		6,079	176	595

CW

Single Operator/Single Band

1.8	K5UR('85)	47,005	219	25	60
3.5	W1FV('87)	270,692	790	28	90
7.0	K1OX('85) (Opr. KC1F)	439,632	1,055	32	110
14	K2VV('85)	655,046	1,567	35	107
21	W1RM('82)	483,560	1,196	33	107
28	N4WW('82)	394,940	1,064	33	97

Single Operator/All Band

Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Countries
	1.8	59	13	31
K1EA	3.5	367	21	63
(1987)	7.0	612	35	91
3,961,980	14.0	825	33	87
	21.0	692	27	75
	28.0	53	15	31
Total		2,608	144	378

Multi-Operator/Single Xmtr.

Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Countries
	1.8	50	13	39
K1GQ	3.5	317	23	74
(1987)	7.0	916	36	111
5,524,602	14.0	694	37	114
	21.0	695	29	99
	28.0	143	24	70
Total		2,815	162	507

Multi-Operator/Multi-Xmtr.

Station	Band	QSOs	Zones	Countries
	1.8	72	14	27
W2PV	3.5	427	18	70
(1981)	7.0	1,101	30	103
10,431,729	14.0	1,389	35	118
	21.0	1,228	35	103
	28.0	1,050	34	106
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Packet Enhancements, Amateur and Commercial

Having fun is what amateur radio is about. Having anticipated from the beginning the impact of packet on our hobby, I developed a sense of expectation about the many uses of packet in our future.

Before I get into this month's topic, I want to give a brief update to an earlier article about packet pictures. In the April 1988 issue of *CQ* I described a technique that allows us to pass high-resolution color pictures via packet. In that article I also described a very well-written and supported program called PACFILE. In describing the speed at which the picture could be transferred, I mumbled something like 3½ minutes for a picture being passed at 1200 BPS and 2 minutes for a picture being passed at 2400 BPS.

Well, for me that was fast—at that time. Since then a major packet controller manufacturer has acquired the rights to market the program. That has not stopped Bob Slomka, WD4MNT, the author of PACFILE, from making it even better. As I mentioned in the previous article, Bob is a perfectionist. The program and its features will never be complete until his 1.2 megabyte PC RAM runs out of memory or we find a way to tie his hands. In four years I have truly watched the PACPRO evolve into this feature-filled packet program, and he continues to build new and better versions.

The fun has begun, and Bob has added a very smooth-performing "compression routine" to PACFILE. It is not just any old run-of-the-mill compression routine, but one which makes use of just about every part of the PC that is capable of "smoking without exploding." We are passing pictures at 20 seconds flat, and I have indeed watched a high-resolution, error-free color picture appear on my screen from Larry, KF4JF, in 10 seconds (2400 BPS and without a digipeater). Now that is faster than a Studebaker.

Larry and I are beta testing this new PACFILE of the second generation. It has proven to be air-worthy thus far. Look for it to be released soon.

Bob has refined this compression

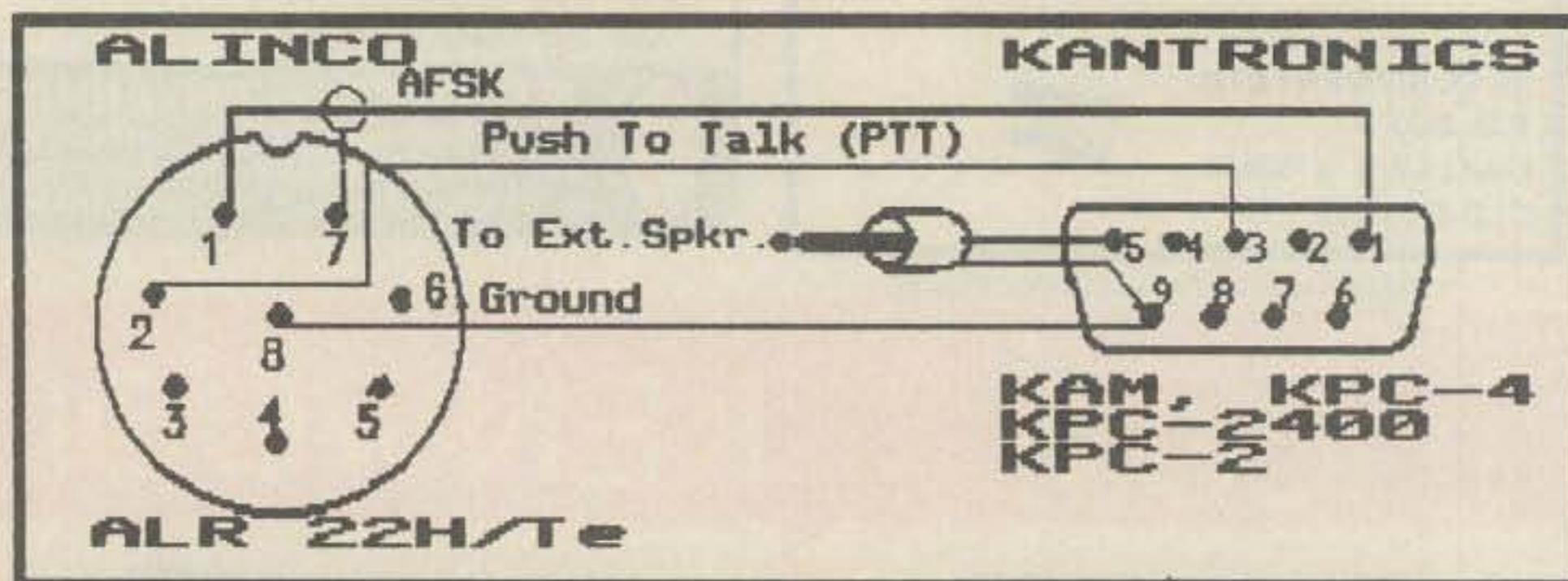


Fig. 1—Wiring diagram for connecting Alinco ALR 22 transceivers to Kantronics TNCs.

scheme into something that is not just fun to use, but is also fun to watch. True, I have an old Tandy 1000®, and I mean old, because it was one of the first of the run. Everyone who knows me knows that if Tandy releases "one" I try to buy the first one, be it model I, CoCo* 1, 2, 3, 2000, or 1000 (not always my best decision). In any case, I have stopped that gamble. The reason I even mention this is because I have the original CPU, and ROM bios. Yep, that's right. I'm running a 4 MHz clock/timebase. For accuracy it is really 4.79 MHz. In any case, this 1000 is doing nothing short of "smoking" when I send or receive a picture via packet with this new PACFILE. As it was with the original PACFILE, I felt that somehow Bob had inserted a shot of vitamin "Z" into the code to feed the CPU as it went through. That CPU has to be working at United States Marine Corp double-time to handle the code switching inside. Add to this already solid-state "spontaneous combustion" the compression of a 17,000 byte picture and you've got a silicon brush-fire. What I am alleging is this compression is being done "on the fly"—in real-time. As the pictures are being sent they are also being compressed. As they are being received they are being decompressed. You want to know something? I think it is just short of miraculous. My 4 MHz clock/CPU is able to handle it, and somehow it does so in both "states" (transmit and receive). I think Bob has now developed an obsession to see how much my 1000 will take before it retires to "BOOT" Hill.

Bob has added several other features since the first article about PACFILE in April. In addition to invoking the compression routine with **ALT F2** key, you can still

continue to use the old way with the **ALT F1** key (no compression). Another nice feature is the new print routine within the program. It can be executed with the **F5** key (**Shift/F5** for reverse print) while viewing a picture on the screen. The picture is printed on EPSON or IBM-compatible graphics printer (dot-matrix) full page, length ways, and with the same aspect ratio as the screen. Adding files, deleting files, page-back buffers, and renaming pictures or files before sending are all new additions, and there are more, but space here is limited.

Bob, and many like him, are making packet so much more enjoyable for us. Take time and write to him and tell him how much we appreciate his efforts: c/o Bob Slomka, WD4MNT, Rt. 2 Box 1028 Grandview Drive, Cordele, GA 31015.

I have received many letters and questions about PACFILE since the first article appeared in the April issue of *CQ*. In response to many questions about PACFILE, I furnish the following bits of information.

Q: Does it work with only one or two kinds of packet controllers?

A: PACFILE works with all of the packet controllers known to this author.

Q: Does PACFILE work with all computers?

A: It is PC and MS DOS based, and it uses hardware hand-shaking. This requires all flow commands to be turned off within the TNC. The nature of PACFILE also requires **SCREENL** be set at zero (0).

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prise system to take an abrupt right turn. We contribute more to the advancement of the higher technologies than we are given credit for. It is the nature of the beast. The inquisitive mind of the amateur is the blessing with which we are cursed. (Now there is a line to ponder for awhile!) Very seldom are we ever content with being still or sitting idle. The true amateur is always trying some new idea or adding to someone else's. One enhancement adds to another until the original idea has evolved into something totally new and different. This can be related to the evolution of the high-technology process as a whole.

Here is the point! Law enforcement can use packet to send and receive encoded traffic to other municipalities or law-enforcement centers. They can indeed utilize our same system directly in their vehicles. The packet picture transfer capability can surely be utilized as a faster means of "wanted poster" distribution of a suspect and to a much wider area. The transceivers are already in place. Most law-enforcement agencies have multi-frequency capability and are fully capable of passing 2400 BPS. To explain further, a city or county could send a photo of a lost or missing child to a neighboring county in a matter of minutes. The same applies to a printout or hard-copy description of a suspect involved in a crime. Many times I have listened to the local law-enforcement agency on the po-

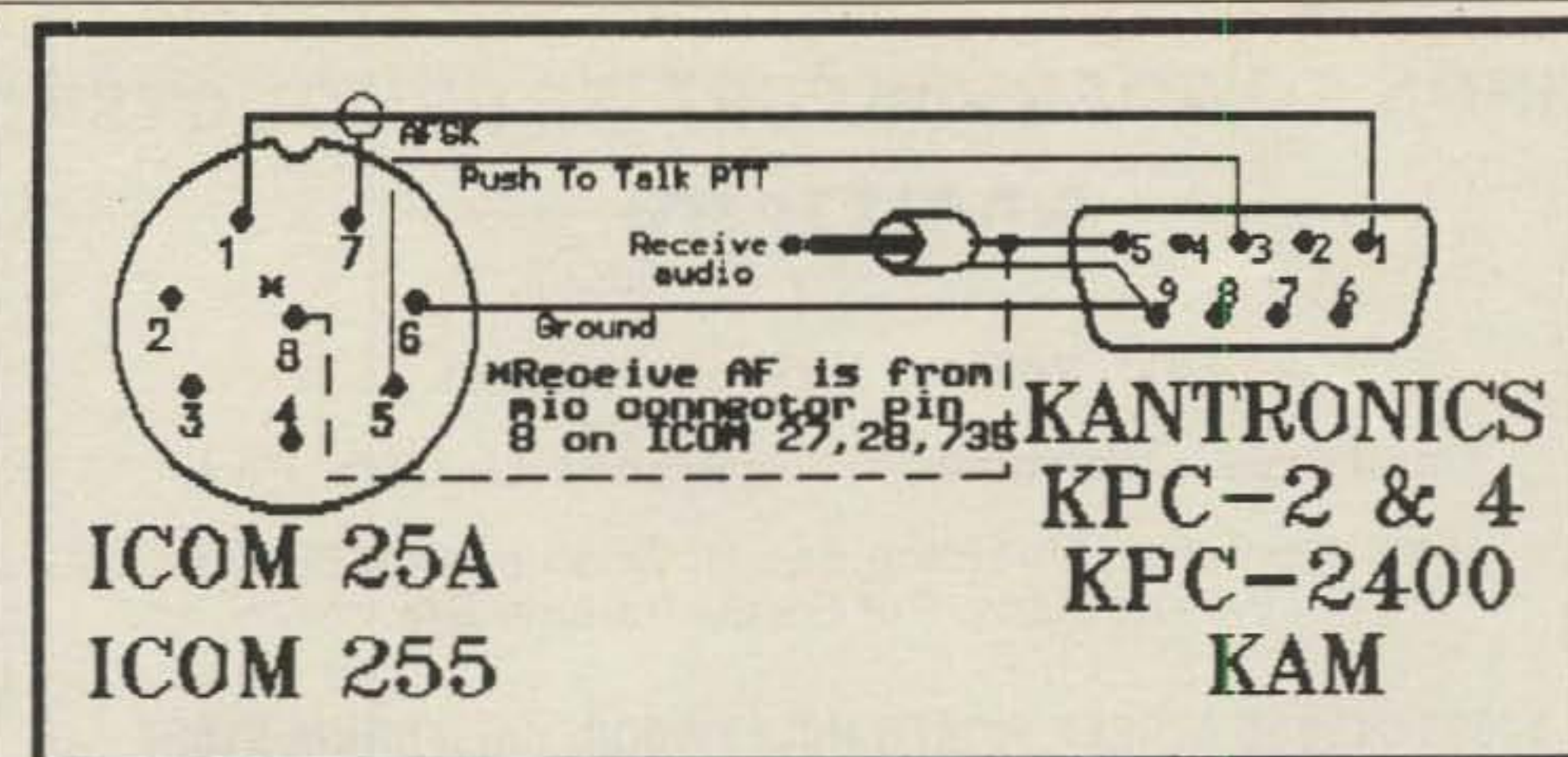


Fig. 2—Wiring diagram for connecting ICOM 25A/255 series transceivers to Kantronics TNCs. On most recent ICOM radios using an 8-pin mic connector, you will find receive audio on pin 8. Or you can use the external speaker jack if you cannot locate a pin with audio.

lice monitor as they attempted to give out a description of a wanted person. The dispatcher had to repeat the transmission several times because of lack of clarity or surrounding noises. A read-out, or even better a hardcopy printer, would alleviate this problem. There are small thermal printers which will easily operate in a vehicle to serve the same purpose. This is of even more importance to the "beat" patrol person, since he or she is sometimes away from the vehicle when the "be on look out" (BOLO) is issued.

Another application of packet in the commercial sector is similar to the those found in the amateur packet fraternity. How many times have you been on a job with your portable phone and missed a call? It happens. How many times have you had your "beeper" or "pocket pager" on and found the battery was dead or that you had missed a call for some other reason? It happens. There is a way to beat this one also! (I hope there are some enterprising entrepreneurs reading this.) The RCC system or the private user could

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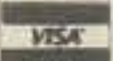
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even look into the addition of this next capability to his two-way radio system.

The simple addition of a packet controller with "mailbox or PBBS" capabilities would solve many a lost call or message by being able to use a portable packet station in the car or briefcase to access mail or notes left in the packet mailbox.

The mailbox can be a "community system," since the firmware-type PBBS will allow only the user of a given call sign to read his or her own mail.

I know of a lumber company that has a modem set up so some of their customers can call in via telephone modem and place an order for materials. The order is dumped to hardcopy as it comes in.

By applying packet radio techniques to this idea, the building material company and the construction contractor could make use of a commercial portable packet system and do so from the job site. Another aspect of this packet radio use is the receiving terminal would not have to be attended, although the connect bells on many packet controllers would be a good attention getter to advise the receiving station that activity is occurring on their system. This provides another consideration. The order is in text and is dumped to printer, so the order is defined, and there is no mistaking the types or description of the materials ordered.

This is only the beginning of the commercial uses of packet radio. Maybe that is why the FCC and the governing bodies are allowing some privilege relief in some areas of amateur radio. In addition to developing a new field of employment, it also expands the base of communications, not to mention a future source of surplus amateur gear.

This brings up still another very touchy but interesting subject. I am as possessive as the next amateur when it comes to losing some of our valuable UHF spectrum and I mention this only as food for thought.

Before we "toss the baby out with the bath water," let's think about the latest proposal to allocate the first 2 MHz of the 220 MHz band to public and commercial use. What if it were to become a reality? One of the pending proposals was submitted by a major nationwide trucking and delivery company which owns and operates a massive fleet of vehicles. Maybe in two or three years, or as the radios begin to be replaced, there will become an abundant supply of 220 MHz transceivers on the surplus market, or maybe it will make a competitive 220 MHz amateur transceiver easier to market for some two-way radio manufacturers. We must face it: There are not a great number of 220 MHz transceivers to choose from at present, and those which are available are by no means low priced. There is a lot here to think about, so let's look before we leap.

Until next month, de Buck4ABT

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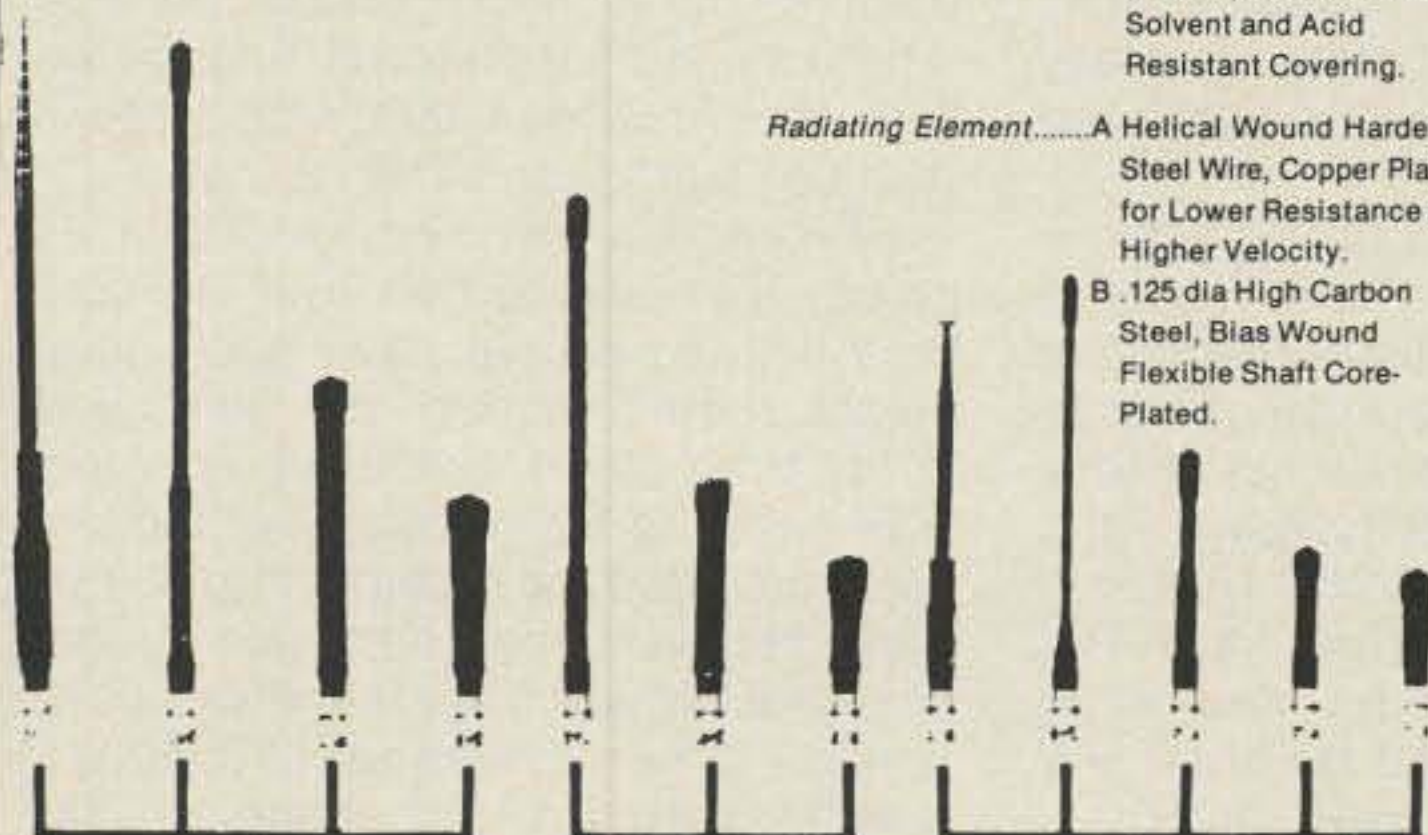
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One set of agreements (reciprocal operating) permits USA amateurs to operate in foreign countries, and it permits amateurs of those foreign countries to operate in this country. This is called *reciprocal operating*. In neither case are amateurs required to pass tests to operate in the other country; all licenses are accepted as proof of operating qualification. This reciprocal operating system is greatly appreciated by active amateurs who visit other countries.

The other set of agreements (third-party traffic) concerns the exchange of noncommercial (personal) traffic between people in different countries, via amateur radio, which is greatly appreciated as a person-to-person service.

Table I shows the countries with which we have reciprocal operating (R) and/or third-party traffic (T) agreements. The most commonly used call sign prefixes are included, but many other call sign prefixes are used on the air.

Reciprocal Operating and Licensing

The FCC only issues reciprocal operating permits to visiting alien amateur radio operators who are licensed by (and are citizens of) the indicated countries. USA citizens are not eligible to receive an FCC-issued reciprocal operating permit. Similarly, an alien holding a USA amateur radio license is not eligible to receive an FCC-issued reciprocal operating permit. If an alien amateur holds an FCC-issued reciprocal operating permit, it is superseded by whatever FCC-issued USA amateur radio license she/he obtains. In this case, the alien's operating privileges are no longer related to her/his home country's privileges; they are the privileges



Eleven-year-old Terry Horst, KA3SEV, of Sharpsburg, Maryland, shares a station with her father (Larry, KA3SDJ). They use a Heath HWA5400 transceiver with a homemade 4-element Yagi-Uda. Terry has talked with amateurs in four countries. She is a sixth grade student attempting to introduce her classmates to the exciting world of amateur radio.

which are related to the class of FCC-issued amateur license she/he earned. Foreign amateurs are encouraged to obtain USA licenses if they are going to be in this country a long time. Except for representatives of foreign governments, anyone may apply for a USA amateur radio license, as issued by the FCC. Such applicants simply have to pass the same examination elements that are administered to Americans. Alien amateurs may apply for a permit to operate from any area where amateur radio is controlled by the FCC.

Alien amateurs may apply for a permit by completing an FCC Form 610-A, attaching a copy of her/his (foreign) valid amateur license, and mailing these items to the Federal Communications Commission, P.O. Box 1020, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania 17326, USA. Some USA missions (in foreign countries) have FCC Form 610-A, and it can be obtained by writing to the FCC, 1919 M Street NW, Washington, DC 20554, USA. An FCC-issued permit is valid for one year, until the alien's home country amateur license expires, or until the alien obtains a USA amateur license, depending on which occurs first.

Operating privileges of a permit holder

are detailed in 97.311 of the FCC Rules and Regulations. Part 97 governs the USA amateur radio service. Basically, the permit holder is limited to the operating privileges that apply to her/his class of license in her/his home country. However, FCC regulations must be obeyed and USA Extra class operating privileges may not be exceeded by reciprocal licensees, regardless of the privileges existing in their home countries. As an example of this, reciprocal licensees are not allowed to transmit (on voice) in the 14,100 to 14,150 kHz portion of the 20 meter DX voice segment. Reciprocal permit holders do not all have Extra class privileges. As an example, a permit holder who has a home country license equivalent to the USA General class license is restricted to the operating privileges of a USA General class licensee. Violations should be reported to the FCC.

The exact call sign shown on the permit must be used by the reciprocal licensee when identifying her/his station. The appropriate USA letter-numeral prefix precedes the reciprocal licensee's home call sign. As an example, if CP5WDX is operating in California, his identification is W6/CP5WDX (code) or W6-stroke (or slash) -CP5WDX (voice). The entire call sign must be used when identifying a station; in this example, do not shorten it to W6/CP5WD. The reciprocal licensee is required to indicate (in English) the approximate geographic location (city and state, etc.) from which she/he is operating. This information is required at least one time during each contact. Canadian amateurs still identify the original way with the American indicator following their call sign, such as VE7SR/W6.

USA amateurs who want to obtain reciprocal operating permits from the countries with which we have such agreements should request the appropriate forms from officials of those countries. USA-based foreign embassies and legations may have the required forms. If not, they should be able to provide information about where such forms can be obtained. Forms may also be obtained by requesting them from the amateur radio licensing authority of the country you intend to visit. Information on this subject is available from the FCC, Personal Radio Branch/ssd/prb, Room 5322, 1919 M Street NW, Washington, DC 20554 (telephone 202-632-4964). The ARRL has a re-



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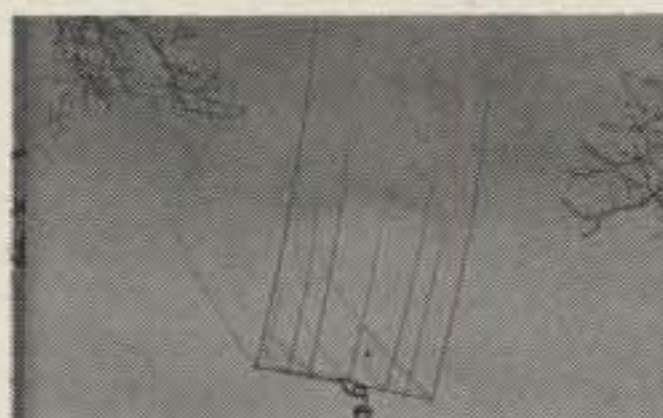
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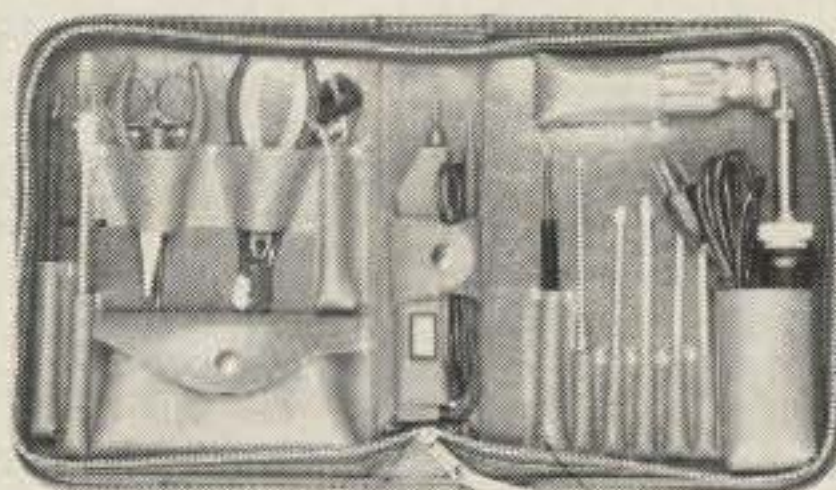
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Notes

(1) No reciprocal operating permits are required between Canada and the United States.

(2) Also applies to Greenland.

(3) Also applies to French Guiana, French Polynesia (Gambier), Marquesas, Society, and Tubai Islands, plus Tuamotu Archipelago, Guadeloupe, Ile Amsterdam, Ile Saint-Paul, Iles Crozet, Iles Kerguelen, Martinique, New Caledonia, Reunion, Saint Pierre and Miquelon, plus Wallis and Futuna Islands.

(4) USA/ITU agreement authorizes third-party traffic to be exchanged between the USA and 4U1ITU (Geneva, Switzerland) and 4U1VIC (Vienna, Austria).

(5) Reciprocal licensing also applies to Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Falkland Islands, Gibraltar, Montserrat, Saint Helena, plus Turks and Caicos Islands.

(6) Third-party traffic may be exchanged with United Kingdom special events stations (GB prefixes), except stations with the GB3 prefix.

Table 1—Countries with which we have reciprocal operating (R) and/or third-party traffic (T) agreements.

reciprocal licensing expert who provides names, call signs, addresses, telephone numbers, and related data in response to requests for reciprocal licensing information received from American amateurs. The ARRL's address is 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111.

When USA amateurs operate (as reciprocal licensees) in other countries, they must abide by the regulations which apply to those countries. ITU Region II (North, Central, and South Americas) regulations do not go with you when operating in ITU Region I (Europe and Africa) or ITU Region III (Australasia and the rest of the Southern Hemisphere). All licensees must abide by the radio regulations of the International Telecommunications Union (ITU).

Third-Party Traffic

Third-party traffic involves at least one person in addition to the operators who are handling the traffic. Third-party traffic includes message traffic handled directly between amateurs and telephone (fone) patch traffic, in which people (not just amateurs) speak to each other directly (normally using the telephones in their homes) via amateur radio. International third-party traffic must be in English (voice), or using the International Morse code for code traffic. Third-party traffic must be of a personal nature; business messages are prohibited, except during emergencies. Amateurs are not allowed to accept money, services, or goods in exchange for handling third-party traffic.

Only personal messages may be handled by amateur radio operators under normal circumstances. These messages must be such that they would not normally be sent by any existing means of electrical communications, or except for an amateur radio station being available.

The call signs of both (foreign and American) stations must be transmitted to identify stations handling third-party traffic. Your own call sign (alone) does not suffice in this case.

Expanding The Opportunities

The US Government is willing to establish reciprocal operating and/or third-party traffic agreements with other countries. Such agreements are negotiated



Scott Dolan, KB8EDV, is on the left and Phil Brent, KB8DZQ, is to the right in this picture. They are students at Saints Peter and Paul Seminary High School near Newark, Ohio. Bob Cashdollar, NR8U, supplied this picture.

through the US Department of State. The support of the other country's amateurs is necessary to initiate meaningful negotiations. It is best to have action initiated by the country seeking to reach an agreement with the USA, since their cooperation is essential in getting the task completed. Our government is receptive to providing draft notes, which could form the basis of such agreements, to any interested country. Notes can be requested from the US Department of State, or from the Federal Communications Commission. The FCC's address is Washington, DC 20554, and requests should be directed to the Chief of the Spectrum Engineering Division. DX amateurs are urged to initiate appropriate action in their countries, if they do not presently have both agreements with the USA. American amateurs could help expand these lists by discussing these agreements with foreign amateurs, particularly when visiting their countries.

73, Bill, W6DDB

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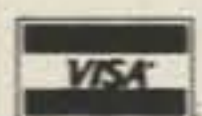
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"One day in *Popular Science* magazine my friend and I discovered an article on how to construct a 'tooth-brush twin crystal set.' My mother supplied us with several old tooth brushes. We looked through our fathers' work benches and found some tacks and wire, but there were still a few critical parts to be obtained. We then turned to a neighbor who was in the radio repair business. We showed him the article and told him what we had. He said, 'Well, you still need a crystal, some coils, and a 'cat's whisker.' My friend and I wanted to impress him with our knowledge of the radio business. I piped up, 'Oh, no! We don't need any cat's whiskers, since I have a cat who has plenty.' He got a big laugh over this, and we got our first practical lesson in electronics—namely, that 'cat's whiskers' were not obtained from real cats!

"As our knowledge of the real world of radio construction grew so did our appetite for new and better things. I still have (and it still works) a 1938 GE portable AM and shortwave radio that was my father's pride and joy. It is as big as a breadbox and has a long cord to plug it into the wall. The transistor had not yet been invented. Another article in *Popular Science* outlined a two-tube portable radio built in a cigar box. I will never forget that the tubes were 1S4's. We built these radios and were the envy of all our friends. We could



John Kray, KA2CNG, proud holder of USA-CA All Counties #551, 10-17-87.

ride our bikes and at the same time listen to our battery-powered portable radios on headphones. This was real state-of-the-art stuff back in 1943.

"In the summer of 1950 I spent all the money I earned mowing lawns to purchase a truly portable radio. It was one of the first transistor radios of its day. It still sits on the workbench in the garage. When I am working in the garage, I usually have it turned on. It runs on three D-cells, but only picks up one local station. I used to work for GE and have often wondered if they would be interested in buying back this relic for a museum.

"I graduated from high school in 1950 and that fall entered Penn State to study electrical engineering. In January 1955 I graduated with a degree in electrical engineering and a job offer from IBM in Endicott, New York. In my senior year I took the first course in transistors ever offered at Penn State. Our text book was the *Proceedings of the IRE*. A few weeks before graduation I wrote IBM a letter saying that I had decided not to accept their offer. Instead, on the first of February 1955 I traveled to the Philadelphia Navy Yard and enlisted in the Navy. They sent me home for a month and told me to report to the Navy Officers Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island on the first of March. Sixteen weeks later I emerged from Newport, a newly commissioned Ensign in the US Navy Reserve. I spent the next five years at the Jacksonville, Florida Naval Air Station where I was the



"County Line!" by John, KA2CNG, Vestal, New York.

Maintenance and Electronics Training Officer for Detachment Two of the Fleet Aviation Electronics Training Unit. About two years later my skipper, CDR Robert Taylor (not the movie actor), called me into his office. He handed me a set of LTJG bars and told me that it was not right that I was the only officer in his command never to have served aboard ship. The aircraft carrier *USS Roosevelt* was stationed at May Port in Jacksonville, so he sent me aboard for a five-day training mission for pilots and crew members I had helped to train. The TACAN (Tactical Azimuth and Range) navigational system was then state-of-the-art electronics, and I had an opportunity to see how it worked in night landing operations. I am probably the only Navy veteran of almost five years of service who can boast he spent a total of five days at sea!

"I left the Navy in the summer of 1959 and worked for several years for GE in Syracuse, New York in the field of Technical Communications. In 1963 I left GE and accepted a position as a Technical Writer for IBM at the same location where I had turned them down nine years before. Since then I have held numerous positions in IBM in technical communications, education, and programming.

"For many years, my uncle (Leo, USA-CA #209) urged me to become a ham. He said, 'With your knowledge of electronics, it should be a breeze.' The theory was always difficult for Leo, but he was a whiz with a key. For me it was just the opposite—learning the code was a real struggle and the theory was easy. Finally, in 1978, at age 46 (after two disappointing years dabbling in CB radio) I decided to take the plunge and got my license for ARS KA2CNG. Since then I have upgraded to General and Advanced class. I will never be an Extra class unless they cut the code requirement back to 13 wpm, or preferably, eliminate it. I sure

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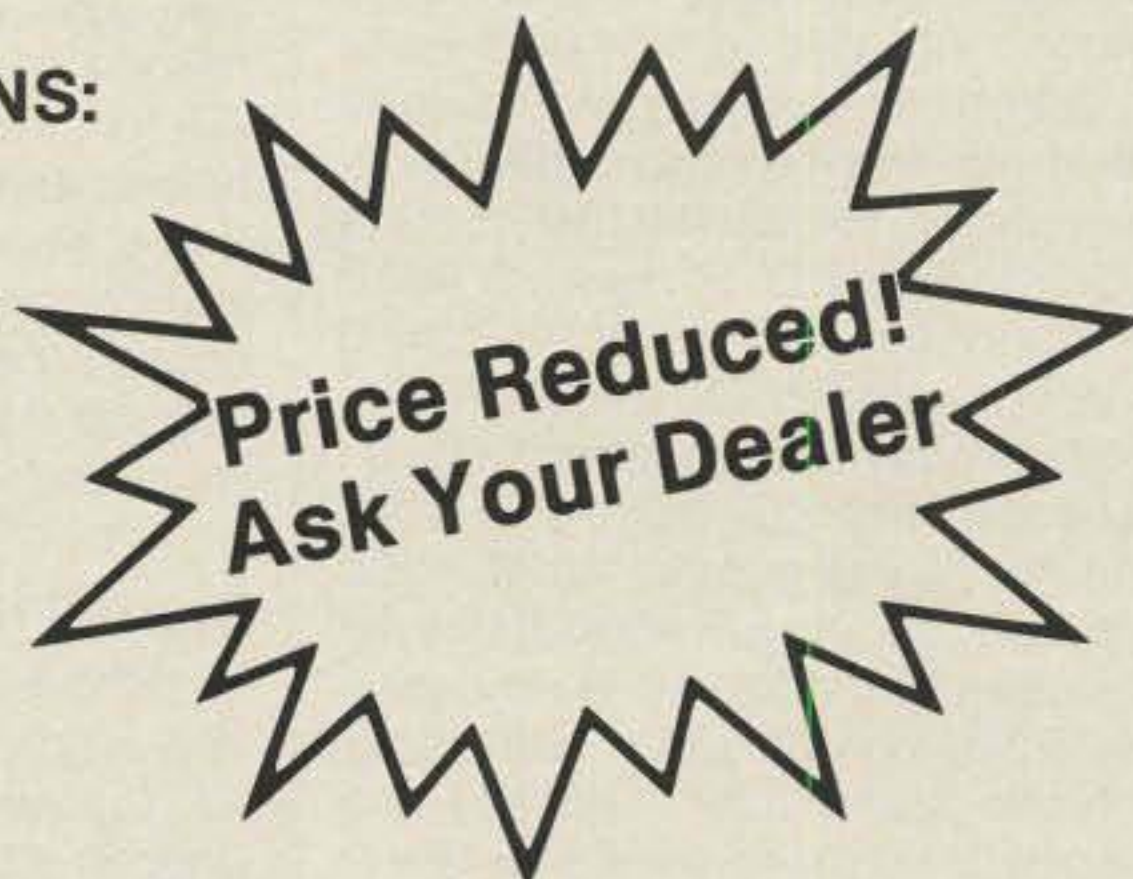
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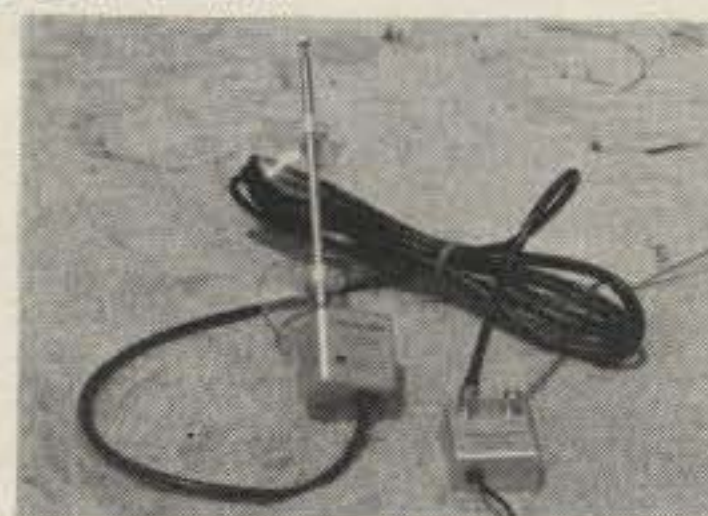
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hope this does not offend my many county hunter friends who are active on CW. As they say, some of us have it and some of us don't. I am one of the don'ts as far as code is concerned.

"In the summer of 1979 Leo (79 years of age) traveled to my home in Vestal to make sure that I knew what County Hunting was all about and became committed to it. Luckily, it did not take long, because I believe Leo intended to stay until I was 'firmly hooked,' as they say. With Leo at my side in my 4-by-8 combination bathroom/hamshack, I made my first contact on 14.336 on June 18, 1979 with W0HEP on the county line of Albany, Wyoming and Larimer, Colorado. On the seventh of July 1987, exactly 2603 contacts later, I made a contact with KC7OD in Chouteau, Montana, for county number 3076.

I have many people to thank for this accomplishment. First of all is my wife, Anita, who has no interest in ham radio, although she is very tolerant of her husband who at times prefers to come late to dinner or forget to do an important chore just so he can 'ham it up.' I also owe a lot to my two daughters, Patricia, 22, and Catherine, 18, who have suffered the most because of my hobby. Many times while talking on the phone they have been interrupted by this garbled sound and have had to explain 'that's just my dad; he's on the radio again.' I have never had a TVI problem, but also have never been able to solve the phone problem. Any suggestions how to cure this, other than giving up my hobby or canceling my phone service?

"I especially owe a lot of thanks to all my fellow hams in the County Hunters

who have helped me along the way. This includes not only the mobile stations, who at times have gone out of their way to get me a needed county, but also those who run the nets without whose efforts none of this would ever be possible. And then there are people like Paul, WA3TUC, and Arnie, K9DCJ, who always seem to be within earshot of 14.336 and willing to help.

"The only regret I have concerning County Hunting is that Leo, WB4AIL, could not be around to share in this accomplishment. Leo became a silent key in July 1986 when I still had about a dozen counties to go.

"My plans for the future are simple. You just can't forget the many good friends you make through this hobby. I will try to attend more conventions in the future, and put out more counties myself if and when I ever retire from IBM. And yes, to my wife's amazement, I will probably start all over again and try to do it the second time. 73 and good hunting to all my friends.—John, KA2CNG."

Awards Issued

Clifford A. Taylor, WB4FBS, added a very credible endorsement to his USA-CA All Counties #87, dated 7-12-87. On 6-13-88 Cliff received an endorsement for All Counties 20 Meter Mobile, SSB. Nice going, Cliff.

Joseph C. Cannon, Sr., KA5RNH, took that next-to-last step and received USA-CA 3000 #603, All SSB, dated 6-27-88.

Norman H. Friedman, NK7B, claimed and received USA-CA 2500 #678, Mixed, dated 6-6-88.

D.H. "Doug" Allerston, G5PQ, also added another endorsement to his certificate by claiming USA-CA 2500 #679, Mixed, dated 6-17-88.

Lowell Thomas, KD5YN, took a big step toward the ultimate goal and claimed USA-CA 1500 #836, USA-CA 1000 #1021, and USA-CA 500 #2257, All 20M SSB Mobile, dated 6-14-88.

Sue Strom, WB0SUN, received USA-CA 1500 #837, Mixed, dated 8-27-88.

USA-CA 500 certificates went to:
Lowell Thomas, KD5YN, USA-CA 500 #2257, All 20M SSB Mobile, dated 6-14-88.
Ronai Sandor Radioclub, HG9R, USA-CA 500 #2258, Mixed, dated 6-28-88.

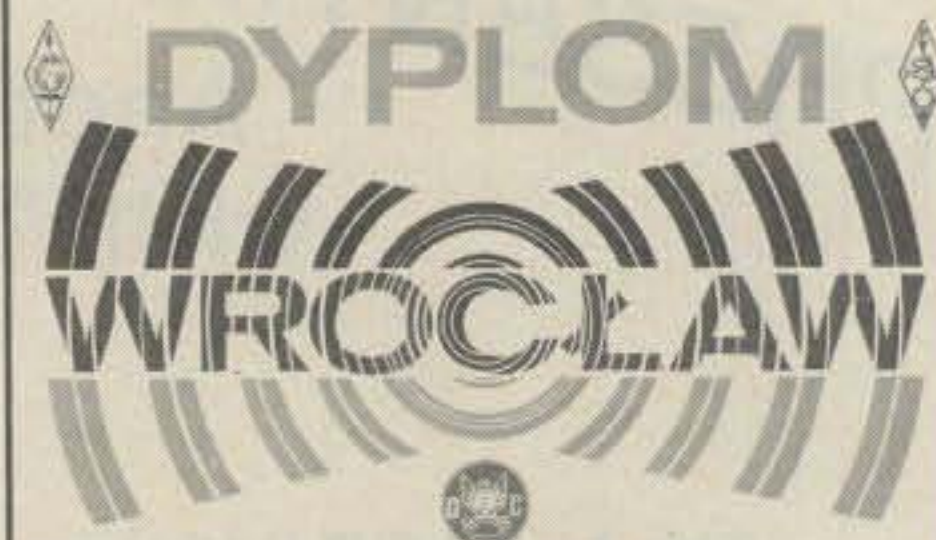
Awards Available

The Wroclaw Award. The Wroclaw Award is issued by the Polish Amateur Radio Union Club Station SP6PKQ, "IKAR," located in Wroclaw, Poland. The award is available to licensed stations for contacting stations in Wroclaw which have been operating since 6 May 1945.

Requirements: DX stations, 15 points; EU stations, 45 points.

Scoring: Each QSO gives 2 points; each QSO with SP6PKQ gives 5 points; each QSO made during the celebration of

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the "Days of Wroclaw" (6-10 May) counts double.

Contacts with stations may be repeated on all bands and with different modes of emission.

The same conditions are applicable for SWL stations.

Each application must be accompanied by sufficient funds to cover expenses (10 IRCs). Applications, confirmed by the applicant's club or by two licensed amateurs, should be sent to Klub Krotkofalowcow, SP6PKQ—"IKAR," P.O. Box 2190, PL 50-985 Wroclaw 47, Poland.

Nansen 1888—Sciare 1988 Award. *Sciare Magazine*, specializing in winter sports, is sponsoring the "Nansen 1888—Sciare 1988" Award to celebrate the Greenland ski crossing centenary and the enterprise realized by Nansen in 1888 in which the sport of skiing was popularized. The Norwegian explorer Fridtjof Nansen (1861-1930), professor of oceanography at Oslo University, ambassador to London, was promoter of the National Society (1919, Paris) and winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1922.

The award can be obtained by licensed radio amateurs and SWLs. All QSOs must be made in the period January 1 through December 31, 1988—phone, CW, RTTY, mixed.

100 points are required and are scored as follows:

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The total number of counties for credit for the United States of America County Award is 3076. The basic award fee for subscribers to CQ is \$4.00. For non-subscribers, it is \$10.00. Initial application must be submitted in the USA-CA record book which may be obtained from CQ Publishing Company, 76 North Broadway, Hicksville, NY 11801, U.S.A. for \$1.25. To qualify for the special subscriber rate please send a recent CQ mailing label with your application. To be eligible for the USA-CA, applicants must comply with the rules of the program as set forth in the revised USA-CA Rules and Program dated April 2, 1985. A complete copy of the rules may be obtained by sending a SASE to the USA-CA Custodian, 333 South Lincoln Avenue, Mundelein, IL 60060, U.S.A. DX stations must include extra postage for air mail reply.

The same station cannot be contacted more than once. During skiing celebrations in Greenland performed by *Sciare Magazine* in June and July 1988, two stations were active—I2DMK (Max) and I2BVS (Enzo). QSOs with these stations count ten points, and can be counted more than once if on different modes and bands.

The award is free via the bureau. For direct mail submit 2000 Lire, \$2.00, or 3 IRCs. Do not send QSLs. Submit GCR list to the award manager, Mario Ambrosi, I2MQP, via Stradella 13, I-20129 Milano, Italy.

Radio Club Nuevo 25th Anniversary Award. Radio Club de Nuevo Leon, A.C., is offering its 25th Anniversary Award to licensed amateur radio stations worldwide who make two-way contact with three amateur stations operated by members of the Radio Club de Nuevo Leon A.C.

Contacts made in the period July 24, 1988 through July 24, 1989 are valid. For purposes of this award stations operated by members of RCNL will be using the special prefix 4C2 instead of the normal XE2. All two-way contacts with stations operated by RCNL members in any band and mode authorized under Mexican regulations are valid for this award.

To apply for this award, send the Award Coordinator, by registered mail, a list of contacts showing date, time (GMT), frequency, mode, RST, and corresponding QSL cards together with \$5 US (money order) to cover costs plus SASE and IRC. The Award Coordinator is Radio Club de Nuevo Leon A.C., Attn. Gino Decanini XE2GDD, P.O. Box #441, Monterrey, N.L. 64000, Mexico. Applicants will receive by return mail the award and QSL cards for contacts made.

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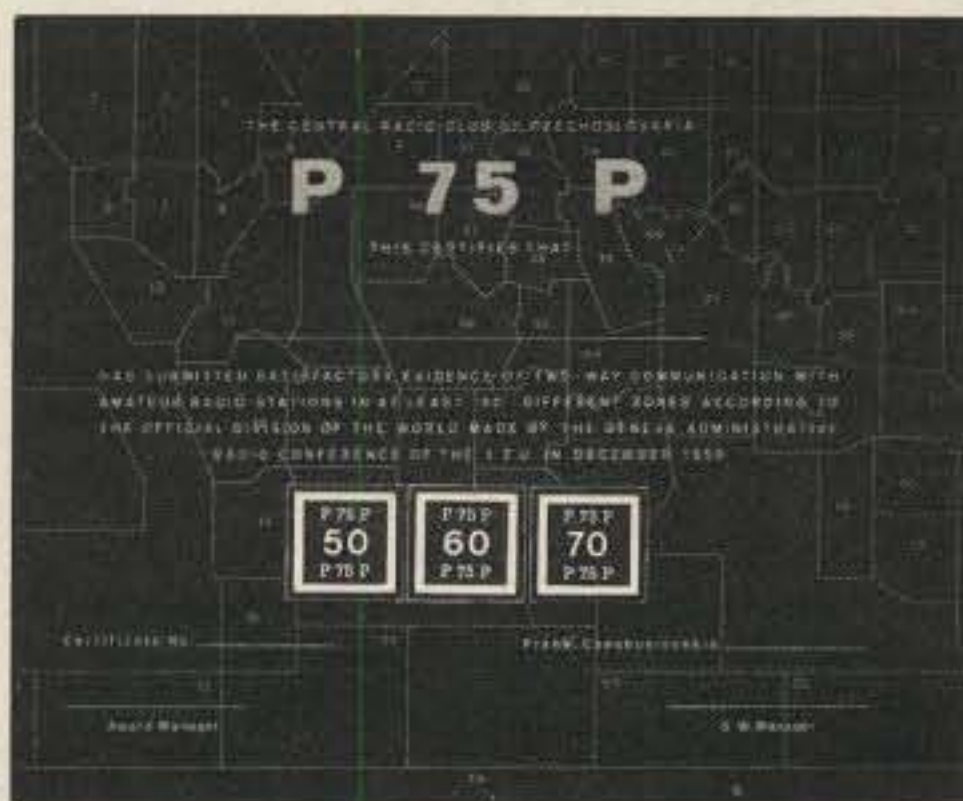
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1. A list of QSL cards, certified by the applicant's national amateur radio society, must be submitted. If such a certified list is not available, all QSL cards must be submitted.

2. The awards are free of charge for members of clubs and associations accepting this rule reciprocally. The fee for all others is 5 IRCs (except for "P75P" for which the fee is 10 IRCs).

3. Any altered or forged confirmations will result in disqualification of the applicant.

4. All applications must be sent to Central Radio Club, Awards Manager, P.O. Box 69, 113 27 Praha 1, Czechoslovakia.



P75P Award by the Central Radio Club of Czechoslovakia for working ITU zones.

P75P Award. This award is available to licensed radio amateurs and SWLs. All contacts after 1 January 1960 are valid. There are no band or mode limitations. The award is given for QSOs with at least one station located in each of the geographical broadcasting zones defined by the ITU Geneva Conference of 1959 (ITU Zones).

The award is available in three classes: First Class 70 zones; Second Class 60 zones; Third Class 50 zones. The zones should be determined in accordance with a special map and list available from the Central Radio Club of Czechoslovakia for 3 IRCs.

The size of the award is 28 × 37 cm. It is printed in silver, dark blue, and light blue on a white background.

S6S Award. This award is available to licensed radio amateurs. All contacts after 1 January 1950 are valid. There are no band restrictions. The contacts must be

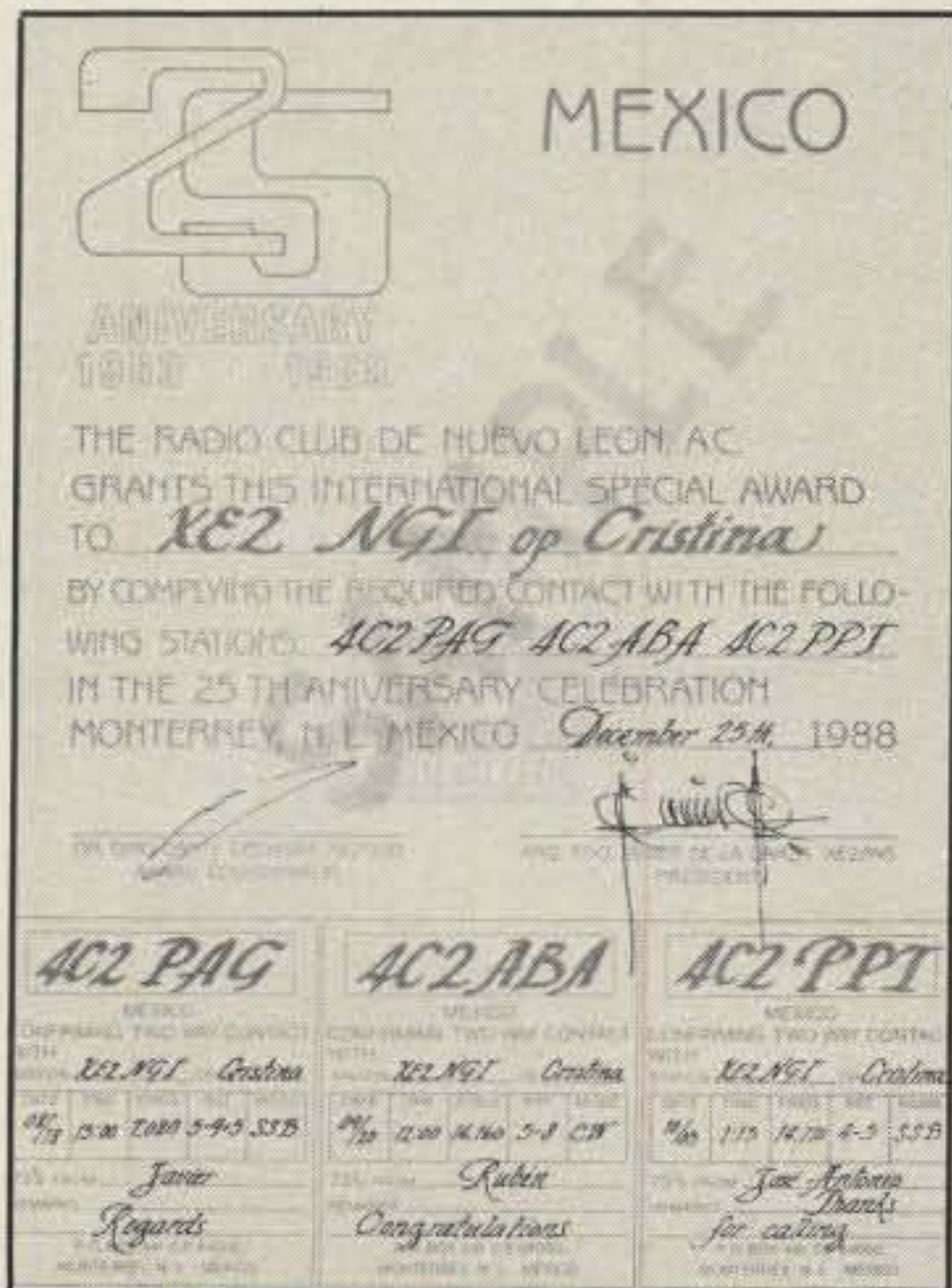


S6S Award available from the Central Radio Club of Czechoslovakia for working continents.

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CU next month. 73, Dorothy, WB9RCY



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A LOOK AT THE SHACK FROM BOTH ENDS OF THE COAX

More Letters, More Books

Let's start with the letters, which this month include topics such as getting service on no longer manufactured amateur gear, the G5RV antenna, and do-it-yourself propagation forecasting.

From the W8FX Mailbag

R. L. Drake Equipment. A note from Edgar Roy Blakeburn, VE1XA, asked us if we knew how he might obtain an equipment manual for his Drake antenna MN-2000 antenna tuner, a very popular unit of the 1970s that is still performing well in many hamshacks today.

We knew that Drake, while still in operation and heavily into the television satellite receiving (TVRO) business, no longer manufactured amateur gear, but could still supply manuals and parts, and possibly do some repair work. Edgar confirmed this to me in a follow-up letter, as Drake had sent him what he needed at a reasonable cost.

In a note from Bernie Welch, W8IMZ, to CQ that appeared in last May's "Zero Bias" editorial column, Bernie reported that Drake's service department is still going strong. They have even updated some of their equipment at reasonable prices. If you need parts or service, contact Bill Frost at R. L. Drake Co., 540 Richards St., Miamisburg, OH 45342 (phone 513-866-3211).

G5RV Problems and Notes. Generally speaking, the G5RV is a reasonably trouble-free multiband antenna. We receive precious few letters from readers who have had problems with the antenna. Most such letters concern the G5RV version which uses a balun at the junction of the ladderline or openwire line and the coax downlead to the shack. Seems the balun tends to mess up things. In fact, in last April's column, I mentioned that I felt it is advisable to go with openwire or ladderline all the way to the hamshack, using an antenna tuner at the transmitter or transceiver.

On this point Riley Dunn wrote that his son bought a commercial G5RV kit, one with the fairly standard 102 foot flattop, a 31 foot length of 300 ohm parallel line, a balun or "transformer coupler," and a length of RG-8X coax. He ran into SWR problems on several bands with this configuration and using an MFJ antenna tuner ahead of a Collins transceiver.

My advice to Riley was to extend the parallel transmission line all the way from the flattop to the antenna tuner, dispensing with the balun and the coax link. While the optimum length for the feedline is open to discussion, and certain lengths may result in matching problems on some bands, the length isn't normally critical.

Of course, bringing parallel line into the hamshack can be a problem, and parallel line just isn't as easy to handle as coax. Something



Over the years R. L. Drake made some excellent amateur radio gear, much of which survives today. As we mentioned in this month's column, it's still possible to obtain service, parts, and manuals from Drake, even though they're now out of the amateur equipment manufacturing business. Their address: 540 Richards St., Miamisburg, OH 45342. (Photo courtesy R. L. Drake Co.)

I've used with good success is the Radio Shack #15-1200 "Wall-Thru" lead-in tube (\$2.19) designed to neatly run TV lead-in through house walls up to 13 inches thick. Also, *The ARRL Antenna Book* has for years shown a feed-through scheme for going through a glass window.

Fred Bonavita, W5QJM, agrees with my April comment that the way to go with the G5RV is with 100% parallel line to the hamshack. Writes Fred:

"You were right on target in your April col-

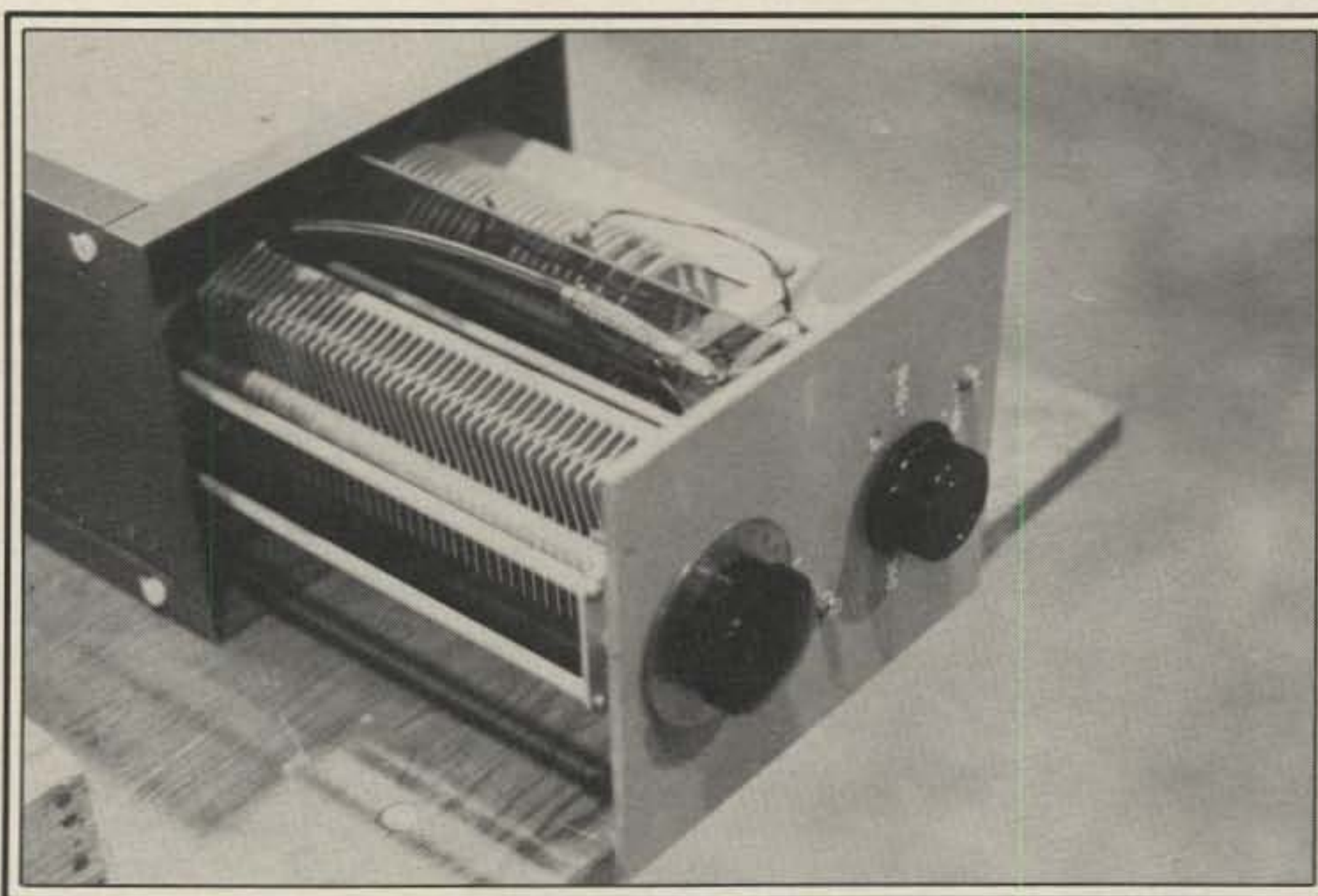
umn . . . I have argued exactly the same point for a long while. Getting away from coax not only gets more of the signal into the air where it belongs, but it results in all-around better performance for what perhaps is one of the best all-band antennas—some argue that it is the best—for us amateurs."

Fred continues: "For those who may have difficulty accepting your conclusion and/or what my experiences have shown, let me direct them to a third opinion offered by no less than G5RV himself. In his article 'The G5RV Multiband Antenna . . . Up-to-Date,' which appears in the *ARRL Antenna Compendium*, Louis Varney advises:

"By far the most efficient feeder is the openwire type. A suitable length of such can be constructed in the same manner as that for the openwire matching section. If this form is employed, almost any length may be used from the center of the antenna to the matching network (balanced) output terminals. In this case, the matching section becomes an integral part of the feeder."

Fred indicates that "This article is the most recent word on the G5RV and updates and expands on points made in his original piece on the antenna. It is worth reading, regardless of what type feeder one uses, although there is no escaping his bottom line.

"For those looking for a source of the balanced feedline, three leap to mind immediately: Austin Amateur Radio Supply [5325 North I-35, Austin, TX 78723], RadioKit [P.O. Box 973, Pelham, NH 03076], and Kilo-Tec [P.O. Box 1001, Oak View, CA 93022]. The first is good



If you're going to feed a G5RV (or other similar multiband HF antenna) with openwire line, 450 ohm ladderline, or twinlead, you'll need an antenna tuner or transmatch in almost all cases.

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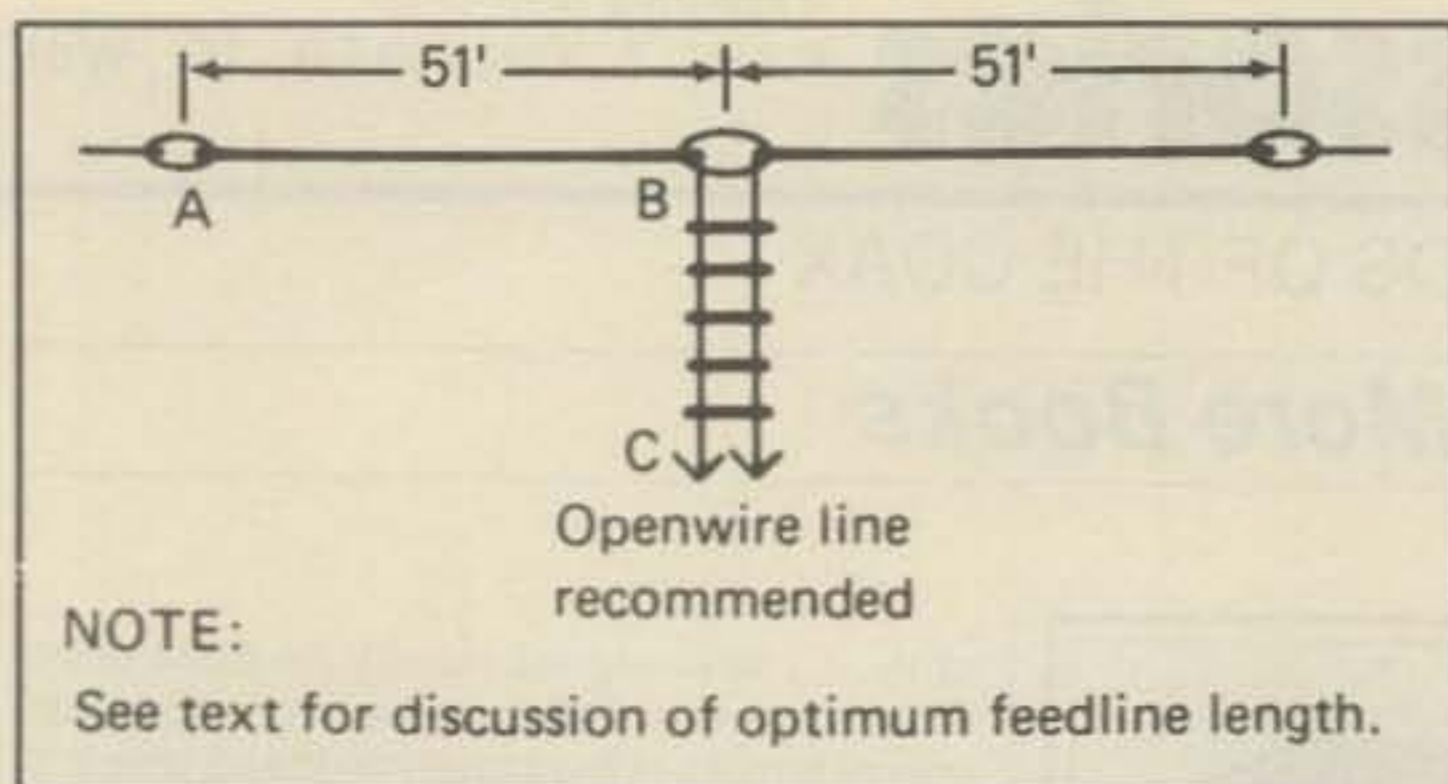


Fig. 1—The G5RV antenna as it is typically constructed. This version, the one I'm partial to, uses 33 feet of openwire line (or about 29 feet of twinlead) connected directly to a transmatch, though these lengths generally aren't critical and may be extended. A second version uses the same 102 foot flattop and 33 or 29 foot length of balanced transmission line connected in turn to a length of coax routed into the hamshack. The latter version sometimes causes matching and loading problems, especially if a balun transformer is used at the intersection of the openwire line and the coax. (CQ Antennas & Accessories column, October 1985 and July 1986.)

Some folks favor the G5RV design that uses coaxial cable for the final run into the hamshack, mainly for the convenience that coax offers. Often a balun is used at the junction of the openwire line or twinlead, and the coax. This often produces losses and can in some cases physically damage the balun, especially if it is of the usual ferrite-core type. If you do want to go the balun route, it's best to experiment with a non-ferrite core design such as one of the W2DU very high power "Maxi-Baluns." (These are available from the Unadilla/Reyco/Inline Division of Antenna's Etc., P.O. Box 215BV, Andover, MA 01810-0814.)

for ladderline, while the second and third have openwire line. Another word of caution: while it will work, 300 ohm TV-type twinlead should be avoided for permanent installations; it will change impedance when it gets wet. Stick with 450 ohm line for best results."

Thanks for the good words, Fred. We'd like to add to your source list two firms that come to mind: Certified Communications, Pittman Road, Route 2, Landrum, SC 29356; and The Radio Works, Box 6159, Portsmouth, VA 23703.

For those readers who aren't familiar with the G5RV, fig. 1 shows the basic 102 foot flat-top design, while fig. 2 shows the space-constrained version popularized by G3OJV.

Propagation Notes de NM7M. Robert R. Brown, NM7M, writes the Propagation and DX columns for the *QRP Quarterly*. Bob wrote us last year with some strong views on computer propagation prediction routines, and he expressed some concern about the "blind acceptance" of the basic MINIMUMF propagation program when there were, in his view, better MUF programs available.

At the time he wrote, he had in mind MICRO-MUF 2+ and MAXIMUMF, available through the efforts of Raymond Fricker of the BBC External Services. Bob even provided copies of those programs to Shel Shallon, W6EL, who after thorough testing replaced MINIMUMF with MAXIMUMF in his very popular MINIPROP propagation prediction program.

Writes Bob in an update: "More recently, the NOAA-SESC bulletin board system in Boulder began offering MUF calculations using the older MINIMUMF program. I wrote the SYSOP [system operator] and suggested that he consider some of Fricker's programs, even comparing them to the results of NOAA's main-

frame program, IONCAP. The SYSOP did that and... announced that the various Fricker programs were superior to both MINIMUMF 3.5 and MINIMUMF-85. Indeed, he is now in the process of replacing MINIMUMF with one of the latter programs."

"It occurred to me that I might help the broader understanding of propagation by putting together a booklet, using simple modules to show how propagation programs are assembled... One of the things I wanted to get across was that MUF predictions, by themselves, are just not enough. For a path, one needs signal strength information as well for their proper interpretation."

"On one hand, the diagram on page 25 of the *Tool Kit* [Bob's booklet, *The QRP'er's BASIC Propagation Tool Kit*, where on page 25 is shown combined MUF and signal strength results over a given path] illustrates the point I am trying to make. But on the other hand, hams should know this from their own personal experience, [with] bands like 40 meters only showing DX openings for limited periods of time in spite of the fact that MUF predictions suggest openings to a DX location for a good part of the day. The difference, of course, is the fact that MUF programs do not take into account the absorption of signals in the D-region. So in the *Tool Kit*, I show how to assemble not only a simple MUF program but also one giving signal strength.

"These modules are simple and while valid, they can be improved on. Thus, while the MINIF2 algorithm gives a delightful, short F-layer module for the *Tool Kit*, one might want to upgrade the program and use one of the bigger and better MUF algorithms like MICROMUF 2+ and MAXIMUMF... they are now in the public domain, having been published many

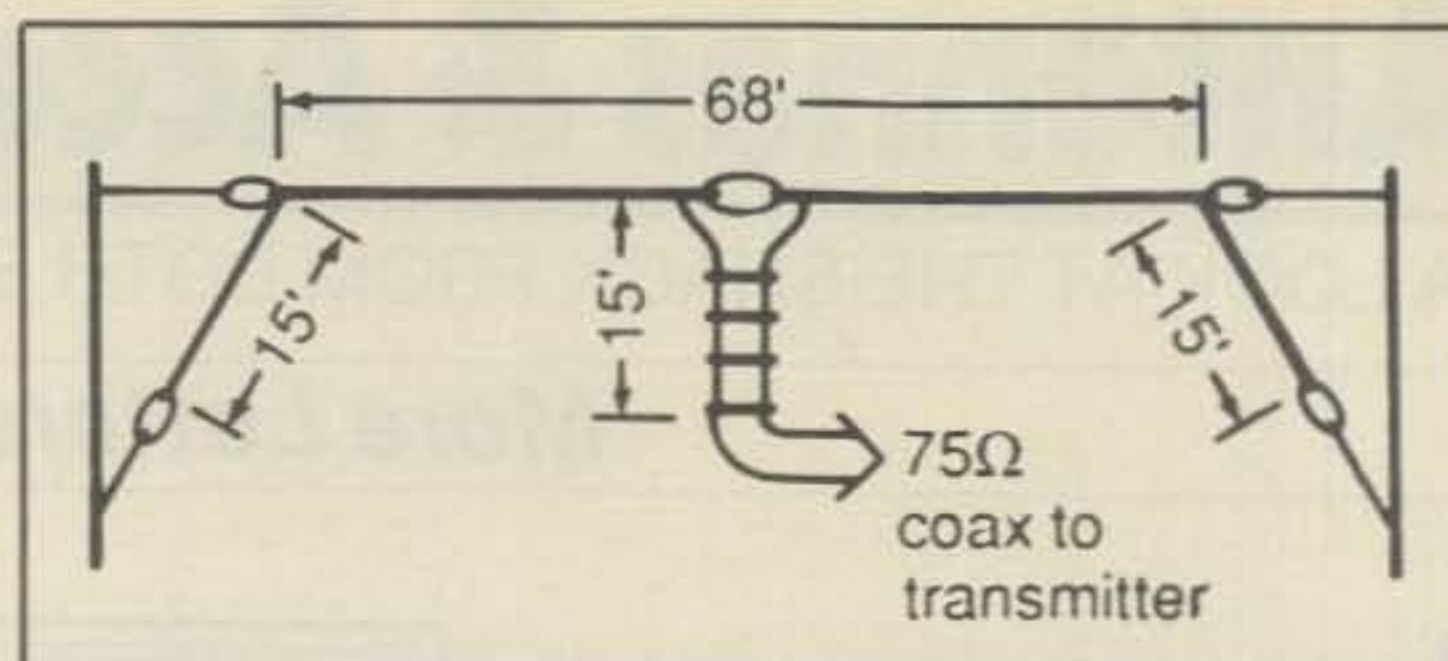
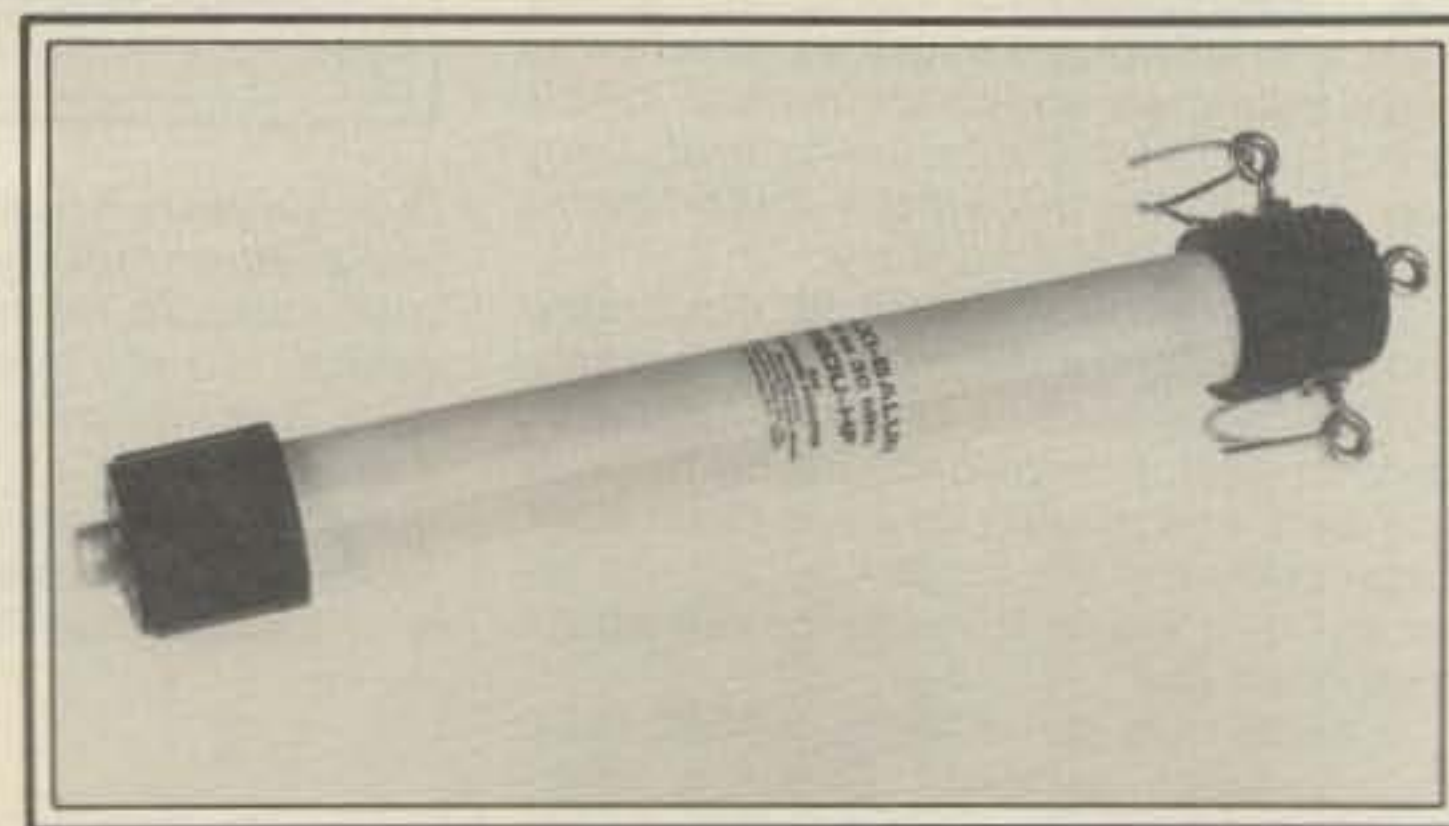


Fig. 2—The so-called hybridized G5RV is a shortened version of its bigger brother, with a bent 98 foot flattop, and is popular in England. G3OJV found this shorter version better for his small yard and described the antenna in the April 1972 issue of *Radio Communication*. (CQ Antennas & Accessories column, April 1987)



times, and hams can pick them up on various BBS [systems] around the country."

"Beyond that, I am now in the process of writing a sequel to the *Tool Kit*, giving a discussion and BASIC modules for about ten different advanced topics. These include such things as long path, slant range, focusing gain, transmitter/receiver antenna gains and patterns, and reflecting surfaces and losses as well as E-layer cutoffs. In short, once the reader is ready to advance beyond the level of the *Tool Kit*, he or she will have the bits and pieces to make a serious, sophisticated homebrew propagation program. I like to think that is better for them, personally, and ham radio in general, than just having them plunk down their money for a disk where everything is hidden behind compiled programs in machine language."

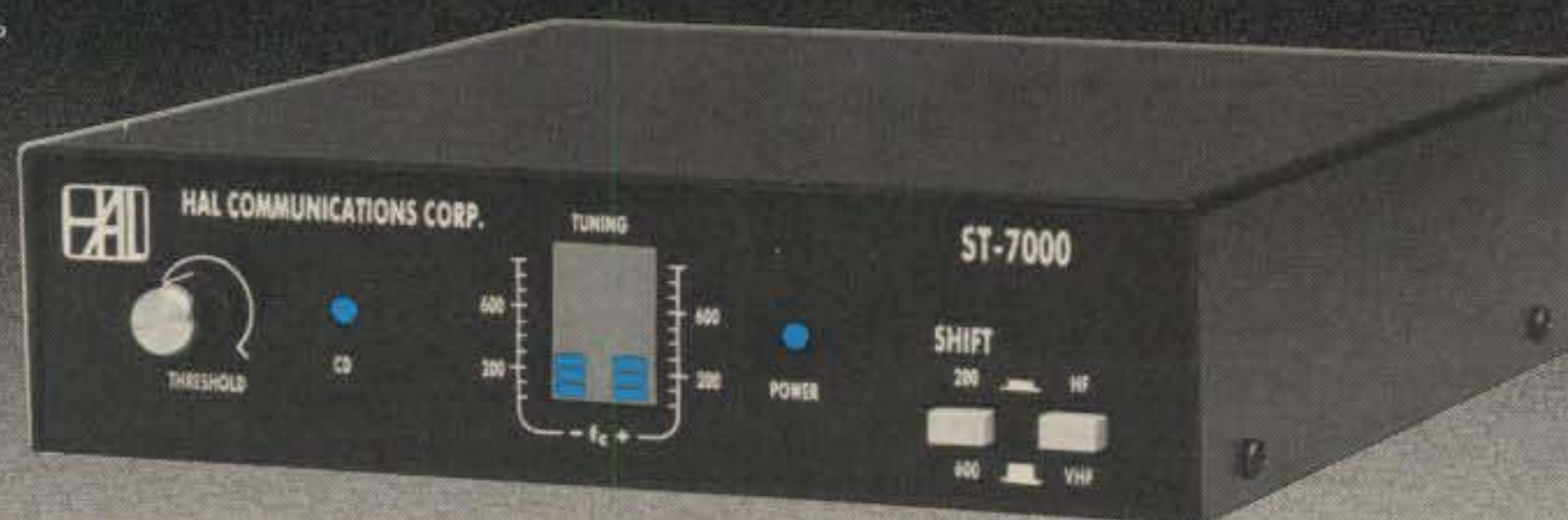
Bob advises that the *Tool Kit* is available for \$6.50 postpaid in the U. S. and \$7.50 postpaid overseas. It is offered by the QRP ARCI and can be obtained through the QRP ARCI Candy Store, run by Bob Spidell, W6SKQ, 45020 N. Camolin Ave., Lancaster, CA 93534.

I'll agree with Bob that *The QRP'er's BASIC Propagation Tool Kit* makes an excellent tutorial for those who want to demystify computer-based propagation prediction. Too, the generic BASIC that Bob uses should make the routines easily adaptable to most any personal computer equipped with BASIC.

From the Bookshelf

Communications Receivers. Ray Moore, ex-K1DBR, has amassed a great deal of data on American-made, general-coverage superheterodyne communications receivers built from 1932 to 1981. Ray's 112-page book is chock full of performance features, general commentary, and photos of and about the receivers.

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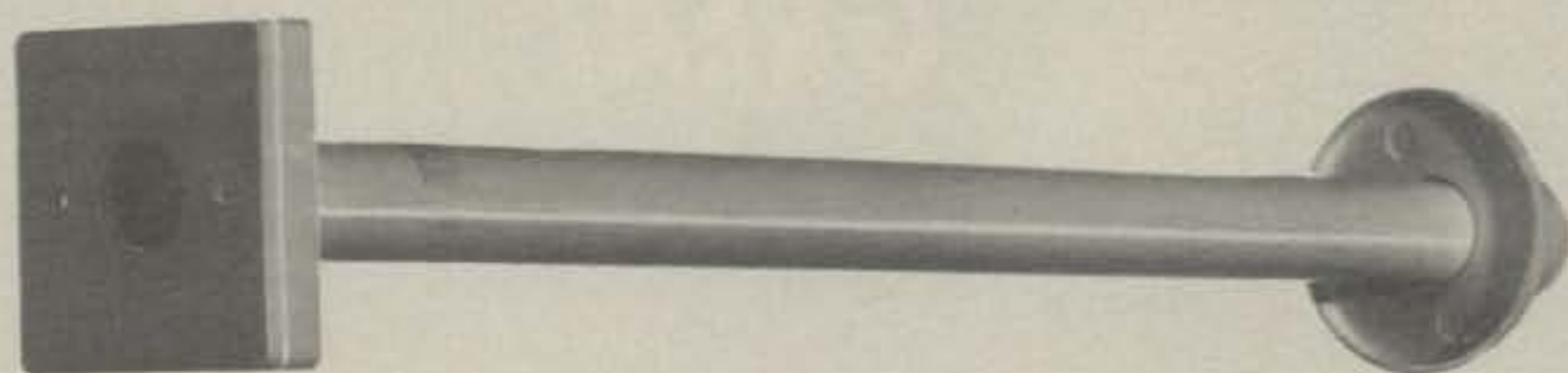
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One problem in using parallel feeders with G5RVs and other multiband antennas lies in bringing the feeder into the house. This Radio Shack #15-1200 "Wall-Thru" lead-in tube is designed to bring TV lead-in through a wall. Snaking 450 ohm ladderline line through it is a little tight, but transmitting-type 300 ohm feedline should snake through okay. (The end caps on the newer "Wall-Thru" tubes are somewhat different from those in this photo, but the idea is the same. Photo via Radio Shack.)

ers themselves and the companies that manufactured them. In a letter from Ray, he confesses his love for these sets:

"The book is the result of my lifetime search for the ultimate receiver. I haven't found it yet, but I've had a lot of fun along the way, and have one of the largest collections of material on communications receivers anywhere. In addition, the interest in receivers led me into my vocation, first in the vacuum-tube industry and then in semiconductors. I retired in mid-1985 as Executive Vice President of Teledyne Crystalonics where I was very active in the development of high performance FETs and Varactors for the communications industry.

"The emphasis in this book, as in others I am working on, is substance. I can't compete with *Time-Life* on graphics, but I can fill the book with information and not fluff."

Ray's book isn't fluff. Rather, it's a very complete guide to American receivers. It covers the famous manufacturers, such as R.M.E., National, Hammarlund, Collins, Morrow, and many others—along with fairly obscure companies such as Patterson, Federated Purchaser, and Guthman. It's clearly a work of love from a DXer whose interest in equipment goes well back into the 1930s.

The book is priced at \$14.95 plus \$2.00 postage and handling, from RSM Communications, P.O. Box 218, Norwood, MA 02062.

Antenna Books from CQ. A few months ago in a conversation with CQ's Associate Editor Pete O'Dell, WB2D, the fact came up that CQ's own Book Shop carries several antenna-related books at reasonable prices. Pete and I decided that it would be a good idea to highlight that fact in an upcoming column.

Actually, the CQ Book Shop carries five Radio Publications Group antenna books, better known as the "Bill Orr Series," as well as Bill's *Radio Handbook*. The Book Shop also stocks Paul Lee's classic *Vertical Antenna Handbook*, and Jacobs and Cohen's *The Shortwave Propagation Handbook*. While many of these titles are familiar to CQ readers, several may not be, so we'll briefly run over each one of them here.

The books in Bill Orr, W6SAI's series, which he co-authors with Stu Cowan, W2LX, are classics. These easy-reading tutorials deserve a place on the bookshelf of any active amateur, especially one who actively dabbles in anten-

nas. Each title is loaded with practical how-to-do-it information, with tables, charts, and formulas arranged for handy reference. (Bill was CQ's Antennas Editor before we took over the helm from him in 1980.)

One of the most popular books in the series is the *Beam Antenna Handbook*, which includes the latest in state-of-the-art beam antenna design information, including beam dimensions for the new WARC bands. Some of the topics covered include feedlines, baluns, matching systems, beam height, and more. This softcover book is priced at \$9.95.

Simple, Low-Cost Wire Antennas provides most of what you need to know about building no-frills, economical wire antennas. A practical book, *Wire Antennas* includes a special section on "invisible" antennas just right for apartment and condo dwellers. The 192-page paperback is \$7.95.

All About Cubical Quad Antennas is a 112-page handbook on Quad theory, design, construction, and operation. Included is information on how to build and adjust various types of Quads, including mini-Quads, monster Quads, and the Expanded (X-Q) high-gain Quad. The book contains a wealth of useful information on construction, feeding, tuning, and mounting these high-performance antennas. It's priced at \$7.95 also.

All About Vertical Antennas thoroughly covers vertical theory, design, construction, and operation in a clear and concise text. Some of the topics covered include comparisons between horizontal and vertical antennas, Marconi antennas for 160 meters, the effects of grounding systems on vertical antenna performance, and matching circuits of various types. The 192-page text is \$10.95.

The last in the antenna book series is *The Radio Amateur Antenna Handbook*, which contains a wide assortment of construction projects for longwire, vertical, and HF/VHF beam antennas. Included are comparisons between the Yagi and Quad, and information on baluns, slopers, and delta loops. It's \$9.95.

Not an antenna book, strictly speaking, but there's a good deal of antenna material in Bill's massive (1168-page) *Radio Handbook*, which comes close to being a single-source reference on radio communications and theory for amateurs, engineers, and technicians. New coverage in this hands-on instruction manual

includes solid-state devices, Yagis and Quads, and HF amplifier designs. It's a hardcover priced at \$29.95.

Long out of print, Capt. Paul H. Lee, N6PL's *Vertical Antenna Handbook* has been reprinted, updated, and edited in collaboration with CQ's own editor, Alan Dorhoffer, K2EEK. Based on the author's many years of naval and commercial communications experience with a wide variety of vertical antenna designs, the book contains lots of practical construction projects. Included are designs for simple, quarter-wave antennas as well as multi-element directional verticals and antennas for 160 meters. Other sections include feeding and matching, short verticals, ground effects, and more. The 139-page paperback is \$9.95.

Last, but certainly not least, on our list is *The Shortwave Propagation Handbook*, by noted propagation authorities George Jacobs, W3ASK, and Theodore J. (Ted) Cohen, N4XX. In it the authors explore exactly how radio signals between 3 and 300 MHz are propagated under the influence of sunspots, the ionosphere, auroral ionization, meteor trails, sporadic-E, scatter phenomena, and other factors. Through interesting and fascinating text, which is amply supplemented by charts, photos, and illustrations, you're told what you need to know to take fullest advantage of your communications equipment. The 150-page softcover book is well-suited for amateurs and SWLs alike and is priced at \$8.95.

Check the CQ Book Shop ad that appears in each issue if you're interested in obtaining any of these titles.

Software Notes

Terminator. *Terminator* bills itself as "the world clock on your PC," and it emulates the fascinating but pricey GeoChron™ clocks often seen in international hotel lobbies and in the studies of the very wealthy. The program, which can be used in either a stand-alone or a memory-resident background mode, presents a very precise map of the world showing the location and time in any of 24 locations you choose. It clearly displays the terminator, the line between light and dark, in real time.

The program allows you to customize the display, entering the name, latitude, longitude, and time zone of any location you desire to be displayed. No toy, the time algorithms used are quite precise, and they consider the declination angle of the sun, the apparent size of the solar disk, the refraction of the earth's atmosphere, and the difference between solar time and earth time caused by the slightly elliptical orbit of the earth. This last effect can be seen by the motion of the sun locator spot on the map, easily visible in the week-at-a-time high speed mode as a skinny figure-eight traced by the sun position.

Designed for the IBM-PC, *Terminator* is aimed at the businessman, traveler, and amateur radio operator. Used in memory resident mode, I can see it being put to good use as an educational "pop-up" tool in conjunction with a propagation prediction program operating in the foreground. I've loaded it behind BandAid and MufMap (from Base 2 Systems), and it seems to work well with them.

Terminator is \$39.95 from Spite Software, 4004 S. W. Barbur Blvd., Portland, OR 97201.

SquareNote Update. In last November's issue we reviewed *SquareNote*, "The Idea Librarian," a free-form IBM-PC database that lets you write, edit, store, retrieve, and maintain notes

in much the same way as you would a deck of 3 x 5 index cards. As we mentioned then, we've found the program to be excellent for tracking subjects in our monthly column. Using Square-Note, when a reader inquires about a particular subject, we can search for and instantly locate all issues in which we covered the subject. We also use it to search by subject to respond to folks who can't remember the exact issue in which a particular subject appeared. We reviewed an early version in our column, and were therefore pleasantly surprised to learn of version 2.0's hitting the market. The enhanced version is much faster (with a built-in RAM cache to minimize disk access), has smarter data import and export features and global text search, and sports a new text editor, to name but a few improved features. It's a program to consider if, for example, you want a practical method of cataloging construction or other magazine articles you've saved in a way that you can actually find an article later. It's \$99 from UnionSquareware, P.O. Box 228, Somerville, MA 02143.

PC Tools Deluxe. Several months ago we ran a multiple-part series highlighting some of the best IBM-PC utilities. We mentioned that one of the most capable and cost-effective utility packages on the market was *PC Tools* from Central Point Software. This top-performing toolkit offered a variety of most-needed utility routines in a slick \$39.95 package.

Not long after we completed our review, the firm replaced it with a follow-on product, *PC Tools Deluxe* (it always seems to happen this way when you review software!). At \$79 the new product is a good deal more expensive than its predecessor, so it's no longer such an out-and-out steal. But this is more than made up for by the refinement of many of its capabilities and the addition of several powerful new features.

The upgrade offers a background DOS shell, a complete set of advanced DOS utilities, fast hard-disk backup and restore programs, disk unformatting, disk compression (optimization), a disk caching program to speed up disk access, a system for positively tracking and safely recovering erased programs and files, and a "lifesaving" rebuild feature that can even let you recover in-place from an accidental format of your hard disk.

Central Point also has improved on the documentation: a thick 163-page user's manual is included, which replaces the rather skimpy 75 pages of instructions for the original *PC Tools*.

This upgrade is definitely a case of "the best getting better;" it's my all-around IBM-PC utility of choice. My only regret is the doubling of price, though the package is still much less expensive than anything comparable offered by its competitors. Too, it's widely available at a discount, and future updates are only \$15. For details contact Central Point Software, Inc., 9700 S. W. Capitol Hwy. #100, Portland, OR 97219.

Disk Jockey. No rock-n-roll here, *Disk Jockey* is a collection of ten near-indispensable utilities and commands for DOS on the IBM-PC. It's by Revolution Software, the same folks who produce *Cruise Control*, one of the utilities we reviewed in our multi-part series covering some of the best IBM-PC utility programs.

Disk Jockey isn't a single program, but is rather ten completely separate utility programs on a single disk. The ten utilities are organized into four groups according to the type of function they provide. These are the Disk

Maintenance, Data Security, File Management, and Printer Management Groups.

The Disk Maintenance Group includes two programs, REORG, a file reorganization or compression utility, is especially useful to hard-disk users to reduce the scattering of files into separate parts, which can lead to significant performance (speed) deterioration on hard disks. DISKTEST gives you a "heads up" on the status of either a floppy or hard disk by testing the current status of the disk, reporting on unreadable disk areas, and allowing you to mark those bad areas so that DOS will not later try to use them.

The Data Security Group includes two programs, ENCRYPT and PROTECT. The first program allows you to encrypt files should you want to protect them from prying eyes; according to the user's manual, the utility uses the National Bureau of Standards' "Data Encryption Algorithm" in tandem with a password you select. The second program allows you to mark files as "read only" so that someone can't change or erase them (accidentally or intentionally). It also lets you hide files so that they will not appear in an ordinary directory listing.

The File Management Group is the heart of the package, and it contains four highly useful programs. SEARCH allows you to find and list files that contain certain words or phrases (great for searching contest-log and wordprocessing files). FINDFILE allows you to search an entire hard disk to find on which directory a long-forgotten file resides; the program gives you a listing of each directory (it could be more than one) which holds the file you're looking for. FINDDUPE is a variation on the FINDFILE utility which lets you "clean up" your disk. It does this by presenting you with a listing of duplicate copies of the same file found in different directories. With that information you can easily erase the dupes and free up additional room on your disk. DIRSORT allows flexibility in displaying directory information by providing you with a directory listing that is sorted by up to four different "fields" (filename, filename extension, and date).

The Printer Management Group contains two files, SETPRINT and REDIRECT. SETPRINT helps in simplifying the sending of control codes to your printer when you want it to do "fancy things" like underlining, boldfacing, changing font type, and the like; it allows you to

define your own standard set of printer control codes using simple names or characters you can easily remember. REDIRECT is a handy utility that is used to intercept and reroute output that an application program is sending to your printer. This lets you redirect that output to a disk file, or even to a different printer, by tricking the application program into thinking that it is printing its output as usual.

Disk Jockey requires an IBM-PC, PC-XT, PC-AT, PS/2 or 100% compatible computer, 256K RAM, and PC-DOS version 2.0 or later. The package is provided both with 5.25 and 3.5 inch disks and is not copy-protected. For information, contact Revolution Software, Inc., 71 Route 10 East, Randolph, NJ 07869.

Short Bursts

While we're discussing computer software, it's a good time to highlight a very small point: Do you regularly save your data as you go in a computer session, or do you wait until it's time to shut things down before saving your data? Worse yet, do you ever just forget to save your work before powering down?

There is little that is more stomach-upsetting than losing a three-hour contest log, a thousand words of hard-processed text, or the latest changes to the radio club's membership roster through a brief power blip or a quick memory lapse. But there are a few precautions you can take to guard against such disasters.

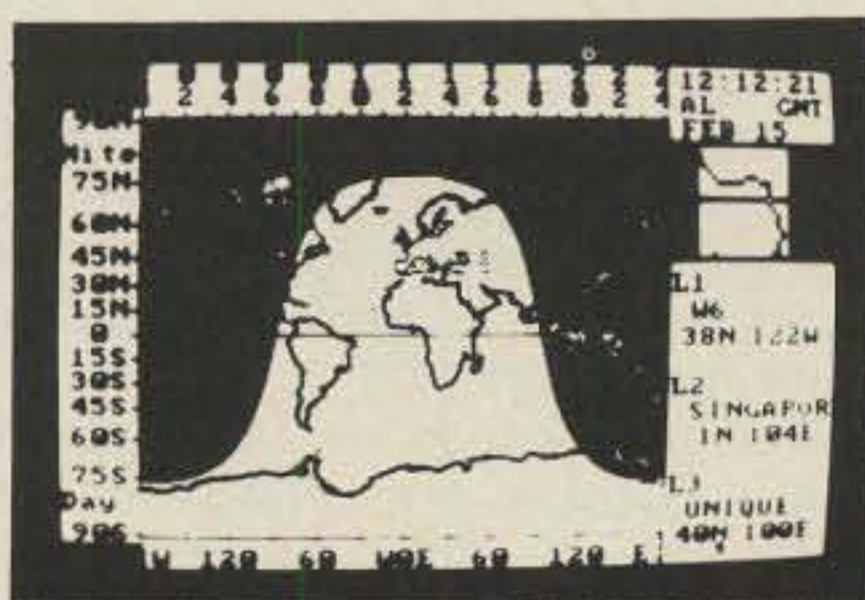
For example, save your work frequently as you go along; certainly don't wait until you're finished to save it. Save every full screen of data, or every ten minutes, or whatever is convenient to you. And, if you're going to be away from your PC, even if it's only for a few minutes, be sure to store the file on which you're currently working. Really important work should also be backed up to a second disk.

Some application programs (though few, if any, amateur software packages) have automatic-save features that force a "save" at pre-selected intervals so you don't even have to think about saving data. Reportedly, there are some commercial and public-domain utility add-on packages for the IBM-PC that let you force your existing software to automatically save your work.

All this is basic stuff, I know. But lose some irreplaceable data, and the basics suddenly become important again!

73, Karl, W8FX

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Contest Calendar

a monthly feature by
FRANK ANZALONE, W1WY

NEWS/VIEWS OF ON-THE-AIR COMPETITION

We finally received the Scandinavian Activity Contest announcement. The rules as they appeared in last month's column are okay. As promised, here is where to send your logs for this year's SAC. They go to: SSA Contest Manager, Jan Eric Rehn, SM3CER, Lisastaet 18 86300, Sundsbruk, Sweden. The results of the 1987 contest in this issue were provided by Erkki Korhonen, OH4NRC, of the SRAL (Finland), last year's manager, and he included this year's announcement.

The many DX bulletins have already indicated many of the contest expeditions expected for the coming CQ World-Wide Contest. Here are a couple I received which will also be forwarded to the bulletins.

A full-bore multi-operator, single transmitter expedition to the Canary Islands is planned by a group of OHs for the Phone WW this month. The call sign will be EA8AGD. In the WW CW test next month OH8PF is planning a single operator, all band operation. Look for the usual operation before and after the contest periods for both of the above.

Look for another expedition, this one out in the Pacific. JE1CKA will be on from Saipan as KH0/JE1CKA, or maybe Tack will use his stateside call, N1BTP/KH0, if his application for a KH0 call does not come through in time.

There surely will be many more who will be reported in the bulletins, some with special calls that are usually difficult to identify as country multipliers. Calls with special prefixes may be an advantage in the WPX Contest, but they are not in the World-Wide Contest.

Last year's VK/ZL/Oceania Contest ran into poor conditions again, and state-side activity was very low. The following North American stations were the only ones listed in the results: on CW, KF1Z 1674 points, N6ADI 1102, W8UVZ 850, and NL7DU 140. On SSB, K6SVL 4450, and VE3BXY 2. KF1Z and K6SVL were certificate winners. The fellows "Down Under" are hoping for better conditions this year.

The usual reminder: Deadline for materials for the January issue is October 15th, and November 15th for the February issue. Send information to my home address, please.

73 for this time, Frank, W1WY

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Calendar of Events

* Oct. 1	AGCW-DL Straight Key Party
* Oct. 1-2	Fernand Raoul F9AA Cup
* Oct. 1-2	California QSO Party
* Oct. 1-2	VK/ZL Oceania SSB Contest
* Oct. 8-9	VK/ZL Oceania CW Contest
† Oct. 8-9	Iberoamericano Contest
Oct. 8-9	IRSA Radiosporting Contest
Oct. 8-9	Pennsylvania QSO Party
Oct. 8-9	ARCI QRP Fall CW Party
Oct. 9	RSGB 21/28 MHz Phone
Oct. 9-10	Illinois QSO Party
Oct. 12-14	YLRL Anniv. CW QSO Party
Oct. 14-15	Columbus Day Contest
Oct. 15-16	Boy Scout Jamboree
Oct. 15-17	Rhode Island QSO Party
Oct. 16	RSGB 21 MHz CW Contest
Oct. 26-28	YLRL Anniv. SSB QSO Party
Oct. 29-30	CQ WW DX SSB Contest
Nov. 5-7	ARRL CW Sweepstakes
Nov. 11-13	Japan Int. Contest
Nov. 12	ALARA (VKYL) Contest
Nov. 12-13	European RTTY Contest
Nov. 12-13	Oklahoma QSO Party
Nov. 19-21	ARRL Phone Sweepstakes
Nov. 26-27	CQ WW DX CW Contest
Dec. 2-4	ARRL 160 Meter Contest
Dec. 10-11	ARRL 10 Meter Contest
Dec. 11	ARCI QRP CW Sprint

* Covered last month.

† Not official.

ARCI QRP Fall CW Contest

1200Z Sat. to 2400Z Sun., Oct. 8-9

This is the fall edition of the QRP Amateur Radio Club International. This year's activity will be found on CW only. Participants are limited to 24 hours out of the 36-hour contest period.

Exchange: RST and state, province, or country. Members will include their number; non-members their power output.

Scoring: Contacts with members, 5 points. Non-members, 2 points if in same continent, 4 points if in a different continent. The same station may be worked on each band for QSO and multiplier credit.

There is a power output bonus: 0 to 1 watt— $\times 10$; 1 to 5 watts— $\times 7$. Over 5 watts check log only.

The following bonus multipliers are also available: solar or wind power— $\times 2$; battery power— $\times 1.5$. Must be used for duration of contest. And a new bonus on each band if homebrew equipment is used, 2000 if a transmitter, 3000 if a receiver, and 5000 if a transceiver (maximum of 5000 per band).

Multiplier: Each state, VE province, and DX country worked on each band.

Final Score: Total QSO points from all bands $\times$ (states + provinces + countries) $\times$ power bonus $\times$ power type if any + homebrew bonus.

Frequencies: 1810, 3560, 7040, 14060, 21060, 28060, 50060. Novice—3710, 7110, 21110, 28110.

Awards: Entries may be single or all band. Certificates to the top ten scores overall; to the top score on each band for single band entries; and to the top scores in each state, province, and DX country. There is a team category, 2 to 5 members, with a certificate to the highest scoring team.

Use a separate log sheet for each band. Include a summary sheet showing the scoring, equipment description, and other essential information. Include a large SASE for a copy of the results. It is suggested you send a large SASE to K5VOL for official log forms.

Logs must be received by November 9th and go to: QRP ARCI Manager, Red Reynolds, K5VOL, 835 Surryse Road, Lake Zurich, IL 60047.

Pennsylvania QSO Party

1600-0500Z Sat.-Sun., Oct. 8-9
1300-2200Z Sun., Oct. 9

This is the 31st annual party sponsored by the Nittany ARC of State College, PA. The same station may be worked on each band and mode for QSO points. PA stations may also work other in-state stations for QSO and multiplier credit, and mobiles in each county change. Novice stations must identify.

Exchange: QSO number and QTH. County for PA, ARRL section for others.

Scoring: One point for SSB contacts, 1.5 points for CW, 2 points if on 80 or 160.

PA stations multiply total by (ARRL sections + PA counties + 1 DX country), total of 143 possible. (Remember West Texas is a new county.) Others use PA counties for their multiplier (total of 67 possible).

Mobiles add 500 points for each county operated from with a minimum of 10 QSOs. Mobiles on a county line give one QSO number, but get credit for two multipliers.

QRP stations multiply their score by 2, Novice/Tech by 3.

Frequencies: CW—1810 and 40 kHz up from bottom of each CW band. SSB—1850, 3980, 7280, 14280, 21380, 28580. Novice—10 kHz up from bottom of each Novice band and SSB on 10 meters. Mo-

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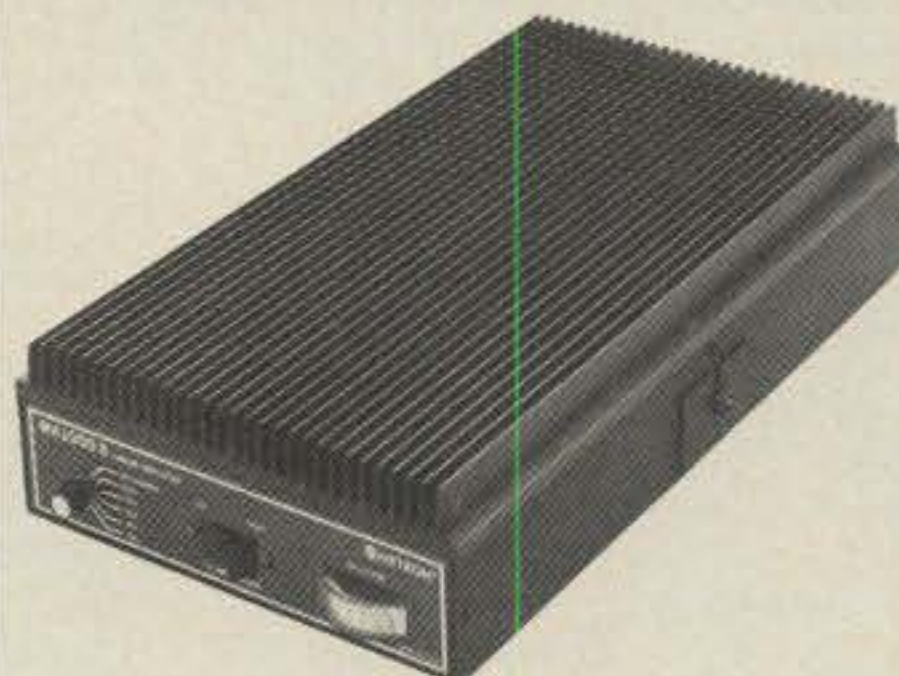
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W9AG	3,204	VO1SA	17,464
W0WUU	204		
		Costa Rica	
Alaska		TE2B	651
NL7DU	936		
Canada		VO1SA was the North American plaque winner on CW and SSB. There were no N.A. multi-op en- tries.	
VO1SA	57,225		
VO1AW	17,784		
VE1ACK	117		

mobile—5 kHz below listed frequencies. Try 160 at 0300Z.

Awards: In five classes—single operator, multi-single, multi-multi, mobile, and QRP (5 watt maximum). Certificates to winners in each PA county, ARRL section, DX country, and club (minimum of 3 members and 20 QSOs). Plaques to top scorers in both eastern and western PA, out-of-state, multi-single, mobile, western, and central USA and QRP (*quite a selection—ed.*).

Include a summary sheet with your entry showing the scoring, a check list of counties and sections worked, and a dupe sheet if you make 100 or more contacts. There is a severe penalty of 100 points deducted for each dupe that has not been removed.

Official log forms are recommended, and samples are available from K3CM. Send 50¢ for a copy of the results (no SASE).

Mailing deadline for all entries is November 15th to: Chuck McMullen, K3CM, 7 Holly Circle, State College, PA 16801.

IRSA World Radio Championship

Phone: Oct. 8 CW: Oct. 9
0000Z to 2400Z, Sat. & Sun.

This is the third time around for the International Radiosport Association's championship contest again scheduled in a very saturated weekend of contest activity in October.

It's a worldwide-type contest with a wide assortment of multipliers. Phone and CW are separate contests on different days. Scores, however, can be combined for special awards in certain categories.

Single operator stations are limited to 22 hours out of the 24-hour contest period. The 2-hour off period may be taken in one or two periods. Multi-stations can operate the full 24 hours.

Use all six bands, 1.8–28 MHz (no WARC bands).

Classes: High power, 1000 watts. Low power, 100 watts. And QRP, 5 watts. Single operator, single and all band. Multi-operator, single and multi-transmitter. Club competition and SWL.

Exchange: RS(T) and a progressive QSO number starting with 001.

Points: Two for each completed contact in the phone contest. Three if it's in the CW contest.

Multiplier: Each DXCC country and call areas in the following countries worked on each band: USA, Canada, Australia, Brazil, Japan, USSR Europe, and Asia. Also one for each of the land, maritime, aeronautical mobile groups. Stations operating out of their call area must identify area of operation (i.e., VE3BMV/W2).

Final Score: Total QSO points from all bands times the total multiplier from all bands.

Awards: Certificates to winners in each category and power group, in every participating country, call areas, and mobile group. The station having the highest combined score from each country will receive a free one-year subscription to *Radiosporting* magazine. There are also a dozen championship plaques in several categories for both phone and CW winners.

Log Instructions: Phone and CW are separate contests and require separate logs. Indicate the multiplier only the first time it is worked on each band. Do *not* use a separate sheet for each band, except for multi-operator multi-transmitter stations, who should keep separate logs and QSO numbering for each band. Logs must be checked for duplicate contacts and multipliers, and off periods clearly marked. Entries with more than 200 contacts must include a QSO dupe sheet.

There are many detailed operating instructions for the different classes. I strongly recommend that you send a large SAE and one "green stamp" or 3 IRCs for a sample contest-form kit (*Radiosporting*, P.O. Box 282, Pine Brook, NJ 07058).

You are encouraged to submit your log regardless of your score; they are useful for checking purposes. A one-year subscription to *Radiosporting* will be awarded to the 10 stations selected by a drawing from the logs received.

Logs must be received by December 31st by the Contest Chairman, Walt Mc-

Gugan, W3FG, P.O. Box 7, Odenton, MD 21113-0007 USA.

Iberoamericano Contest

2000Z Sat. to 2000Z Sun., Oct. 8–9

Organized by "Seccion Territorial de URE del Valles Oriental" and by "CQ Radio Amateur de Boixareu Editores," this contest will be sponsored every year the weekend before October 12th to commemorate the anniversary of the discovery of America. This is a phone-only contest with the emphasis on Latin-American areas.

Classes: Single operator and multi-operator, single transmitter; both Latin-American and non Latin-American. Single operator EC (EA novice), and QRP, less than 5 watts output.

Exchange: RS plus a progressive QSO number (001, etc.).

Bands: All six bands, 1.8 through 28 MHz.

Points: Latin-American stations score one point per QSO. Non-Latin-Americans, 3 points per QSO with Latin-Americans, 1 point with other non-Latin-Americans.

Multiplier: Latin-Americans use the DXCC list. Non-Latin-Americans use the following L-M country list: CE, CO, CP, CR, CT, CX, C3, C9, DU, EA, HC, HI, HK, HP, HR, HT, KP4, LU, OA, PY, TG, TI, XE, YS, YV, ZP, 3C, and dependencies.

Final Score: Total QSO points from all bands times the sum of multipliers from all bands.



At the 1988 DX Convention at Visalia, Martti Laine, OH2BH, tells us what to expect from the Lynx DX Group (Juan, EA9IE, on the right) trip to North Yemen (unannounced at this time of this writing).

SWL: Same rules apply to SWL entries. The same station cannot be logged more than 15% of the total logged. And the same station can only be logged again after 5 other entries.

Penalties: Taking credit for excessive duplicate contacts, and violation of rules and amateur radio regulations could result in disqualification.

Awards: Certificates will be issued to the highest scores in each DXCC country. Participating certificates will go to non-Latin-American stations making 50 or more QSOs. There are plaques for overall winning scores showing at least 4 hours of operation and 100 or more QSOs.

Mailing deadline for entries is November 30th to: X-Concurso Iberoamericano, Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes, 594, 08007 Barcelona, Spain.

RSGB 21/28 MHz SSB Contest

0700 to 1900 GMT Sunday, Oct. 9

It's the world working the British Isles on 21 and 28 MHz.

The same station may be worked on each band for QSO and multiplier credit. There are a total of 49 prefixes available on each band. Following are the rules for areas other than the British Isles.

QSY Rule: All stations who QSY from one band to the other and make a scoring contact may not change bands again for a period of at least 10 minutes after the last contact on the original band (this does not apply to SWLs).

Sections: Single operator and multi-operator, both bands only, and SWL.

Exchange: RS report plus a progressive QSO number starting with 001.

Scoring: Each contact with a B.I. station is worth 3 points. Multiply total QSO points from each band by the sum of B.I. prefixes worked on each band (maximum of 49 per band). The GB prefix does not count for QSO or multiplier.

Unmarked duplicate contacts will be penalized 10 times the points claimed. Logs containing more than 5 unmarked duplicates will be disqualified.

Awards: Certificates to the three leading overall winners, and at the discretion of the committee, to the leading station in each country. Both for transmitting and SWL.

There is also an SWL section. Only B.I. stations are to be logged. Scoring is the same as indicated above. The same call sign may appear once only in every three contacts, except when the logged station is a new multiplier.

Awards: Overseas stations will be awarded certificates to the leading station in each country and the leading station in the multi-operator section, and to the SWL winner in each country. The first, second, and third overall winners will also receive certificates of merit.



John Attaway, K4IIF, presents the DX Hall of Fame award to John Troster, W6ISQ, at the DX Convention at Visalia earlier this year.

Separate log sheets are required for each band. Include a summary sheet showing the scoring, prefixes worked, and a signed declaration that rules and regulations have been observed.

Logs must be received by December 5th. This year they go to: RSGB Contest Committee, P.O. Box 73, Lichfield, Staffs. WS13 6UJ England.

Illinois QSO Party

1800Z Sun. to 0200Z Mon., Oct. 9-10

This is the 26th anniversary of the Illinois QSO Party sponsored by the Radio Amateur Megacycle Society. It's a shorty, only 8 hours long.

Stations may be worked once per band and mode, and IL stations can contact other in-state stations for QSO and multiplier credit.

Exchange: RS(T) and QTH. County for IL stations; state, VE province, or DX country for others.

Scoring: One point for phone contacts, 2 points if on CW. Illinois stations multiply total QSO points by (states + provinces + IL counties + maximum of 5 countries) worked. Additional DX QSOs count for points but not multiplier.

Others use IL counties for their multiplier (maximum of 102).

Illinois mobiles add 200 points to final score for each county from which 10 or more QSOs were made.

All stations earn an extra multiplier for every eight QSOs made with the same county.

Frequencies: CW—3550, 7050, 14050, and 30 kHz above bottom edge of Novice subbands for CW and 28390 for phone. SSB—3890, 7290, 14290. Other bands may also be used.

Awards: Certificates to the top 10 scoring IL fixed stations, 5 IL mobiles, winners in each state, province, country, and the highest club/team aggregate score. A plaque goes to the top-scoring Illinois station.

Logs: Indicate band and mode, circle each new multiplier, and IL mobiles must indicate each county change. Stations with over 100 QSOs must submit a dupe sheet.

A summary sheet showing the scoring and the usual signed declaration is also requested.

Mailing deadline for logs is November 7th to: RAMS, c/o Joe LeKostaj, WB9GOJ, 9134 Ewing Ave., Evanston, IL 60203.

YLRL Anniversary Party

CW: Oct. 12-14 SSB: Oct. 26-28
1400Z-0200Z, Wed.-Fri.

This is the 49th annual party run by the YL Radio League. It is open to all YL's around the world. Activity will be found on all bands, 10 through 80 meters, and will be between YLs only.

CW and SSB are separate contests and require separate logs. A station may be worked *once on each band* for contest credit. Operation is limited to 24 out of the 36-hour contest period. Be sure to indicate off periods in your log.

Exchange: QSO no., RS(T), and QTH; U.S. state, VE province, or DX country.

Scoring: One point per QSO between stations within the U.S. and Canada (including Alaska and Hawaii). Two points for contacts with stations in other areas.

DX YLs score 2 points for QSOs with the U.S. and Canada and with other continents, but 1 point with stations in own continent.

Final Score: Multiply total QSO points from all bands by the sum of states, provinces, and DX countries worked.

There is a low-power bonus multiplier of 1.25 for stations using 100 watts or less on CW and 200 watts PEP on SSB. Multiply final score by 1.25 if applicable.

For each duplicate contact removed from your log there is a penalty of 3 additional and equal contacts removed from your log.

Frequencies: CW—3555, 7055, 14055, 21135, 28195. SSB—3955, 7255, 14265, 21395, 28595 (plus or minus 15 kHz). Look in DX portions of band on 40 and 80 meters.

Awards: Certificates to winning scores in each district, province, and DX country, and first, second, and third place overall winners. There are cups and plaques for YLRL members in North America and DX countries, and two spe-



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Your entry must be received by December 2nd, and this year logs go to: Carol Shrader, WI4K, 4744 Thoroughgood Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23455.

Columbus Day DX Contest

1200Z Sat. to 2400Z Sun., Oct. 14-15

Sponsored by the Miami Havana Lions Club and announced as a contest, this is more of an on-the-air activity commemorating the discovery of America by Columbus.

Activity will be found on all five bands, 10 through 80 meters, both on phone and CW. Packet radio and RTTY can also be used.

Give a signal report and your QTH in the exchange.

The same station can be worked on each band and mode for credit. Make five or more contacts with official radio club member stations and you are eligible to apply for the colorful Miami Havana Lions Club certificate. SWLs can also apply on a heard basis.

At the start of the contest period listen on the following frequencies on SSB: 28450/28915, 21250/21300, 14250/14300, and 7230/7250. Names and numbers of the official club members will be given for identification.

Send your log or QSLs and \$3.00 or 6 IRCs for the special award to: Miami Havana Lions Club, Columbus Day Contest, P.O. Box 674, Miami, FL 33135.

Scouts Jamboree On The Air

0001 Sat. to 2400 Sun., Local Time,
Oct. 15-16

This is the 31st annual Jamboree sponsored by the World Scout Bureau. This is not a contest, but an opportunity for Scouts or anyone interested in Scouting to get together on the air and exchange greetings and information.

Activity is worldwide, and this year the emphasis is on Australia, where the 17th World Scout Jamboree will be held in two months.

Scouts of course will set up their own stations, but amateurs can invite members of Scout units or individuals to visit their stations or clubs to see how ham radio operates.

Any authorized frequencies may be used. The following frequencies are suggested as calling spots, and once a contact has been established, move to another frequency. CW—3590, 7030, 14070, 21140, 28190 kHz. Phone—3740, 3940, 7090, 14290, 21360, 28990 kHz.

No specific exchange, no scoring, and no logs are required, but participating stations are requested to send a report of their activity to their National Organizer. In the US they can be sent to: JOTA Coordinator, International Division BSA, 1325 Walnut Hill Lane, Irving, TX 75038-3096.

Rhode Island QSO Party

1700Z Sat. to 0500Z Sun., Oct. 15-16
1300Z Sun. to 0100Z Mon., Oct. 16-17

This one is again being sponsored by the East Bay AWA (WA1YPN). The same station maybe worked on each band and each mode. RI stations may contact others RI stations for QSO points.

Exchange: RS(T) and QTH. City or town for RI; state, province, or DX country for others.

Scoring: Phone QSOs are worth 2 points, CW 3 points.

RI stations multiply total QSO points by RI cities/towns, states, VE provinces, and DX countries worked. Others by the different RI cities and towns worked for their final score (39 cities and towns).

Frequencies: CW—1810, 3550, 3710, 7050, 7110, 14050, 21050, 21110, 28050, 28110. Phone—1850, 3900, 7260, 14300, 21360, 28350, 50110, 144.2 and 146.52. (Use of FM simplex is encouraged. No repeaters.)

Awards: Certificates to the top-scoring single operator station in each RI county, and each state, province, and country. The top-scoring Novice/Tech. in RI and out of state will also be rewarded, as will the winning RI multi-operator station.

Include a summary sheet with your entry showing the scoring and other essential information, and an SASE for a copy of the results.

Mailing deadline is November 30th to: East Bay AWA Inc., P.O. Box 392, Warren, RI 02885.

RSGB 21 MHz CW Contest

0700 to 1900 GMT Sunday, Oct. 16

Like the 21/28 MHz Phone Contest, the activity in this one is between the British Isles and the rest of the world. Competition is limited to single operator stations only. There is a separate QRP section in which power input must not exceed 10 watts, and there is also an SWL section.

The following rules are for areas other than the British Isles.

Exchange: RST report plus a progressive QSO number starting with 001.

Scoring: Each contact with a B.I. station is worth three points. Multiply total QSO points by the number of B.I. prefixes worked (G2, G3, GD3, etc.). A maximum of 49 is possible. (GB does not count for QSO or multiplier.)

Unmarked duplicate contacts for which credit has been taken will be penalized ten times the points claimed. Logs containing more than five unmarked duplicates will be disqualified.

Only British Isles stations are to be logged by overseas SWLs. The same call may be reported only once in every three contacts, unless the logged station is a new multiplier. Scoring is the same as above.

Awards: Certificates to the three leading overall winners, and at the discretion of the committee, to the leading station in each country. Both for transmitting and SWL.

Include a summary sheet with a list of prefixes worked, station description, the usual signed declaration, and your name and address in block letters.

Logs must be received by December 31st and they go to: RSGB Contest Committee, P.O. Box 73, Lichfield, Staffs. WS13 6UJ, England.

CQ World-Wide DX Contest

Phone: Oct. 29-30 CW: Nov. 26-27
0000Z Saturday to 2400Z Sunday

Complete rules were published in last month's issue and are the same as those used these many years. There have been a few changes and additions in the sponsors of the more than 65 trophies and plaques that will be awarded in the 1988 contest.

A couple of awards have been deleted or picked up by new donors. Please note the four 7 MHz awards, phone and CW, and the new Canadian Multi-Operator Single-Transmitter CW award. Those trophies identified by an asterisk are provided by the donors and are not the responsibility of CQ.

You are again reminded to study the disqualification clause. Penalties for taking credit for duplicate contacts and other infractions have been clearly defined. You not only risk a deduction in your score, but also possible disqualification, especially if your score was questionable in last year's contest.

There are other areas that might lead to being disqualified—sportsmanship, regulation violations, etc. The Contest Committee is cognizant of the fact and will be watching those areas in this year's contest.

Repeating the deadline, all entries must be postmarked NO LATER than December 1, 1988 for the phone section, and January 15, 1989 for the CW section. An extension may be granted if requested in writing to the Contest Committee.

Again this year all logs must be sent directly to: CQ World-Wide DX Contest, 76 North Broadway, Hicksville, NY 11801 U.S.A. Be sure to indicate Phone or CW on the envelope.

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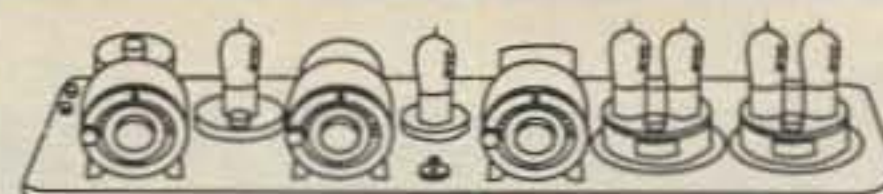
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MODEL NO.	HEIGHT MAX.	HEIGHT MIN.	NUMBER SECTIONS	WEIGHT POUNDS	SEC. OD Top	SEC. OD Bot.	SUGGESTED HAM PRICE
TX-438	38'	21'6"	2	355	12 1/4"	15"	\$1019.00
TX-455	55'	22'	3	670	12 1/4"	18"	\$1539.00
TX-472	72'	22'8"	4	1040	12 1/4"	21 1/4"	\$2529.00
TX-472MDP*	72'	22'8"	4	1210	12 1/4"	21 1/4"	\$4069.00
TX-489	89'	23'4"	5	1590	12 1/4"	25 1/4"	\$4399.00
TX-489MDPL*	89'	23'4"	5	1800	12 1/4"	25 1/4"	\$6599.00

*TX-472MDP includes heavy-duty motor drive with positive pull down. TX-489MDPL comes with heavy-duty motor drive with dual level wind and positive pull down. (Both motor drive models include limit switch brackets).

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HDX-555	55'	22'	3	870	15"	21 1/4"	\$2309.00
HDX-572	72'	22'8"	4	1420	15"	25 1/4"	\$3959.00
HDX-572MDPL*	72'	22'8"	4	1600	15"	25 1/4"	\$6049.00
HDX-589MDPL*	89'	23'8"	5	2440	15"	30 1/4"	\$7919.00

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TMM-433SS*	33' w/o mast	11'4"	4	315	10"	18"	\$1089.00
TMM-433HD*	33' w/o mast	11'4"	4	400	12 1/4"	20 1/4"	\$1319.00
TMM-541SS*	41' w/o mast	12'	5	430	10"	20 1/4"	\$1429.00

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DX Contest Special

It's DX Contest time again! The 1988 CQ World-wide DX Contest will be held on the following dates:

Phone: 0000 UTC Saturday, Oct. 29 to
2400 UTC Sunday, Oct. 30
CW: 0000 UTC Saturday, Nov. 26 to
2400 UTC Sunday, Nov. 27

For the 38th consecutive year this month's propagation column is devoted to special forecasts for the contest periods, both phone and CW. The accuracy of the 37 previous contest forecasts is in excess of 90 percent!

Solar Activity

Barring the occurrence of a radio storm, there is good news for the 1988 WW DX Contest period. The new solar cycle is rising rapidly and is expected to exceed a smoothed sunspot count of 100 during October and November, with a good possibility that the count may reach as high as 115 during October and 118 during November. These levels of solar activity would be higher than recorded during any previous contest period since 1981. The 10.7 cm solar flux level is expected to be in the 150 to 160 range.

The Royal Observatory of Belgium reports a monthly mean sunspot number of 101.8 for June 1988. Daily values ranged from a low of 47 on June 13th to a high of 173 on the 9th. This is the highest level of monthly mean solar activity reported since December 1982, as the present cycle continues at a rapid rate. June's solar level results in a 12-month running smoothed number of 51 centered on December 1987. The median value of 10.7 solar flux for June was 139.4, as reported by the Algonquin Radio Observatory at Ottawa, Ontario.

Day-To-Day Forecast

A long-range CQ day-to-day forecast based primarily on the 27-day recurrence tendencies of geomagnetic and ionospheric conditions indicates that there is a high probability that conditions during the CQ WW DX Phone Contest weekend of October 29-30 will vary between Low Normal and Below Normal. An updated forecast for the contest weekend will be given as a bulletin at the beginning of next

LAST MINUTE FORECAST

Day-to-Day Conditions Expected for October 1988

Propagation Index	Expected Signal Quality			
	(4)	(3)	(2)	(1)
Above Normal: 21, 26	A	A	B	C
High Normal: 1, 3-4, 14-15, 22-23, 25	A	B	C	C-D
Low Normal: 2, 5-6, 8-10, 16, 19-20, 24, 27-28, 30-31	B	C	D	D-E
Below Normal: 7, 11, 13, 17-18, 29	C	C-D	D-E	E
Disturbed: 12	C-D	D	E	E

Where expected signal quality is: A—Excellent opening, exceptionally strong, steady signals greater than S9.

B—Good opening, moderately strong signals varying between S6 and S9+, with little fading or noise.

C—Fair opening, signals between moderately strong and weak, varying between S3 and S6, with some fading and noise.

D—Poor opening, with weak signals varying between S0 and S3, and with considerable fading and noise.

E—No opening expected.
3 dB per S-Unit.

HOW TO USE THIS FORECAST

1. Find *propagation index* associated with particular band opening from Propagation Charts appearing on the following pages.
2. With the *propagation index*, use the above table to find the expected signal quality associated with the band opening for any day of the month. For example, an opening shown in the charts with a *propagation index* of 3 will be good (B) on Oct. 1st, good-to-fair (B-C) on the 2nd, good (B) on the 3rd and 4th, good-to-fair (B-C) on the 5th and 6th, fair-to-poor (C-D) on the 7th, etc. Some radio storminess is possible during the Contest weekend (Oct. 29-30), with conditions expected to vary between Low and Below Normal.

month's column. The November issue of CQ should reach most subscribers before the phone contest weekend.

See the Last Minute Forecast box in this column for additional information concerning expected day-to-day conditions during October.

Band-BY-Band Conditions

It is expected that solar activity will have risen to a level during the 1988 contest period which will permit a significant improvement in band-opening conditions on all the HF amateur bands, 160 through 10 meters! Statistically, the expected smoothed sunspot range of 115-118 is higher than any level recorded since the 1981 contest period. Unless a radio storm should develop to mar conditions, expect conditions, activity, and results during the 1988 contest to be better than those observed over the past seven years.

The following is a band-by-band summary of DX propagation conditions normally expected from mid-October through mid-December 1988 and centered on the contest period. For a more detailed circuit-by-circuit analysis, refer to the DX Propagation Charts appearing on the following pages.

10 meters: Good, solid openings should be possible to just about every corner of the world during the daylight hours, and the band may remain open to southern and tropical areas into the early evening. DX openings should begin an hour or so after sunrise towards Europe, Africa, and the east, as well as in a southerly direction towards the Caribbean and Central and South America. Signals should peak in intensity towards Europe and the east an hour or so before noon, towards Africa about an hour or so after noon, and towards the south during the late afternoon. Optimum conditions towards the Far East, Australasia, Southeast Asia, etc., are forecast for the late afternoon and early evening hours. Exceptionally strong signal levels can be expected on many openings, particularly when conditions rise to High or Above Normal.

15 meters: This band should be jumping during most of the daylight hours. Excellent propagation conditions are expected from shortly after sunrise through the early evening hours. The band could remain open well into the evening towards southern and tropical areas. Peak openings should occur towards a specific geographical area about an hour or so after the peak has occurred to the same area on 10 meters. Openings are expected to all areas of the world, and exceptionally strong signals should be possible most of the time. Fifteen meters is likely the best DX band during the daytime hours, but at times it will be a toss-up with 10 meters.

20 meters: Expect good-to-excellent DX openings almost around the clock. Signals should peak from all directions for about an hour or two after sunrise and again during the late afternoon and early evening. Excellent openings are expected to many southern and tropical areas well into the hours of darkness, and when conditions are High Normal or better, the band should remain open for DX during most of the night. Expect *long-path* openings on this band for about an hour or so after sunrise and again for an hour or so before local sunset. Signal levels are ex-

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pected to be exceptionally strong during peak propagation periods on 20 meters. This should be the band that will produce the longest period for DX openings, the strongest signals, and openings to more areas of the world than any other single band during the contest periods.

40 meters: This should be a prime DX band during the hours of darkness as summer static fades into oblivion. DX openings should begin during later afternoon, continue through the hours of darkness, and last until an hour or two after sunrise. The band should open first for DX towards Europe and the east during the late afternoon. Signals should increase in intensity as darkness approaches. During the hours of darkness expect good DX openings to most areas of the world. Signals should peak from an easterly direction about midnight, and from a westerly direction just after sunrise. Excellent openings towards the south should be possible throughout most of the nighttime period. Forty meters is likely to be the best band for DX during the hours of darkness, although at times it may be nip and tuck with 20 meters for this honor.

80 meters: While not quite as good a nighttime band as 40 meters, expect some good DX openings on this band to many areas of the world during the hours of darkness. The band will open later, close earlier, and be somewhat noisier than 40 meters. Signals should peak towards Europe and the east around midnight, and towards the west just before sunrise. Expect good openings towards the south throughout most of the night.

160 meters: Considerably decreased static levels and longer hours of darkness in the Northern Hemisphere should welcome back DX openings in this band during the hours of darkness and into the sunrise period. Because of relatively high signal absorption and the lower power levels used in this band, openings will often be weak and noisy, but some fairly good ones should be possible. Best bets are for openings towards Europe and towards the Caribbean and Latin America from the eastern half of the country, and towards the Far East, Australasia, the South Pacific, and Latin America from the western half of the country. DX openings to other areas of the world may also be possible. The best propagation aid for this band (and for 40 and 80 meters as well) is a set of sunrise and sunset tables, since DX signals tend to peak when it is local sunrise at the easternmost point of a path.

Contest Work Charts

The DX Propagation Charts on the following pages show the times when each amateur band from 6 through 160 meters is expected to open from each time zone area in the continental USA to the major DX areas in the world. The information

Time EST	Optimum Band (Meters)	Areas To Which Band Is Expected To Be Open
00-02	40	Most of Europe, Eastern Mediterranean, and Middle East. Most of Central and South America. A few African areas and possibly Antarctica.
02-04	20	Some South Pacific, New Zealand, and Australasia. A few Far East and Asian areas. Some South America and Antarctica.
04-06	40	South Pacific, New Zealand, Australasia. Many South American areas. A few Far Eastern and Asian areas. Possibly Antarctica.
06-08	20	Most of Europe, South Pacific, New Zealand, and Australasia. Most of Central and South America. A few African areas. Some Far East and Asian areas.
08-10	15	All of Europe, Eastern Mediterranean, and Middle East. Some of Africa. Most of Central and South America. South Pacific, New Zealand, and Australasia. A few Asian areas.
10-12	10	Most of Europe and Africa. Most of Central and South America. A few Asian areas, New Zealand, South Pacific, and Australasia.
12-14	15	Some of Europe and most of Africa. Most of Central and South America. A few areas of South Pacific, New Zealand, and Australasia.
14-16	15	Most of Africa, and Central and South America. Some of South Pacific, New Zealand, and Australasia. A few Asian areas.
16-18	20	Most of Europe, Eastern Mediterranean, and the Middle East. All of Africa, and Central and South America. A few Australasian areas.
18-20	15	Lots of South Pacific, New Zealand, and Australasia. Some of Far East and Asia. Most of Central and South America. Possibly Antarctica.
20-22	20	Most of Africa, Far East, South Pacific, New Zealand, Australasia, Central and South America. A few European areas and Middle East. Some Antarctica.
22-00	20	Lots of Far East, South Pacific, New Zealand, Australasia, Central and South America. A few African and Asian areas. Antarctica.

*Similar work plans can be devised for single-band operation or for openings to specific DX areas.

Table I—Sample multi-band work plan for Eastern USA QTH.

contained in the charts, while useful during the contest period in their present format, can easily be reorganized into more convenient formats to meet specific operational work plans or schedules. Experience gained during previous contests has shown that specifically tailored schedules derived from the charts can be extremely useful in piling up contacts and points with a minimum of wasted time.

Table I is an example of one of several types of plans that can be devised. It is a multi-band operational work plan, which shows the times and bands when propagation conditions are expected to be optimum to various areas of the world for each two-hour period throughout the day. An Eastern QTH has been chosen for this example, but similar plans can be devised for Central and Western locations.

Do-It-Yourself Forecasting

Each successive year sees improvements made in available HF propagation computer programs, as well as new programs entering the market. Several are worth mentioning, generally as useful aids in predicting path openings, and specifically for use during the contest period.

I have mentioned in previous columns that the CQFCST developed by Jack Baldwin, VE7RG, is ideal for rearranging the CQ DX Propagation Charts to meet spe-

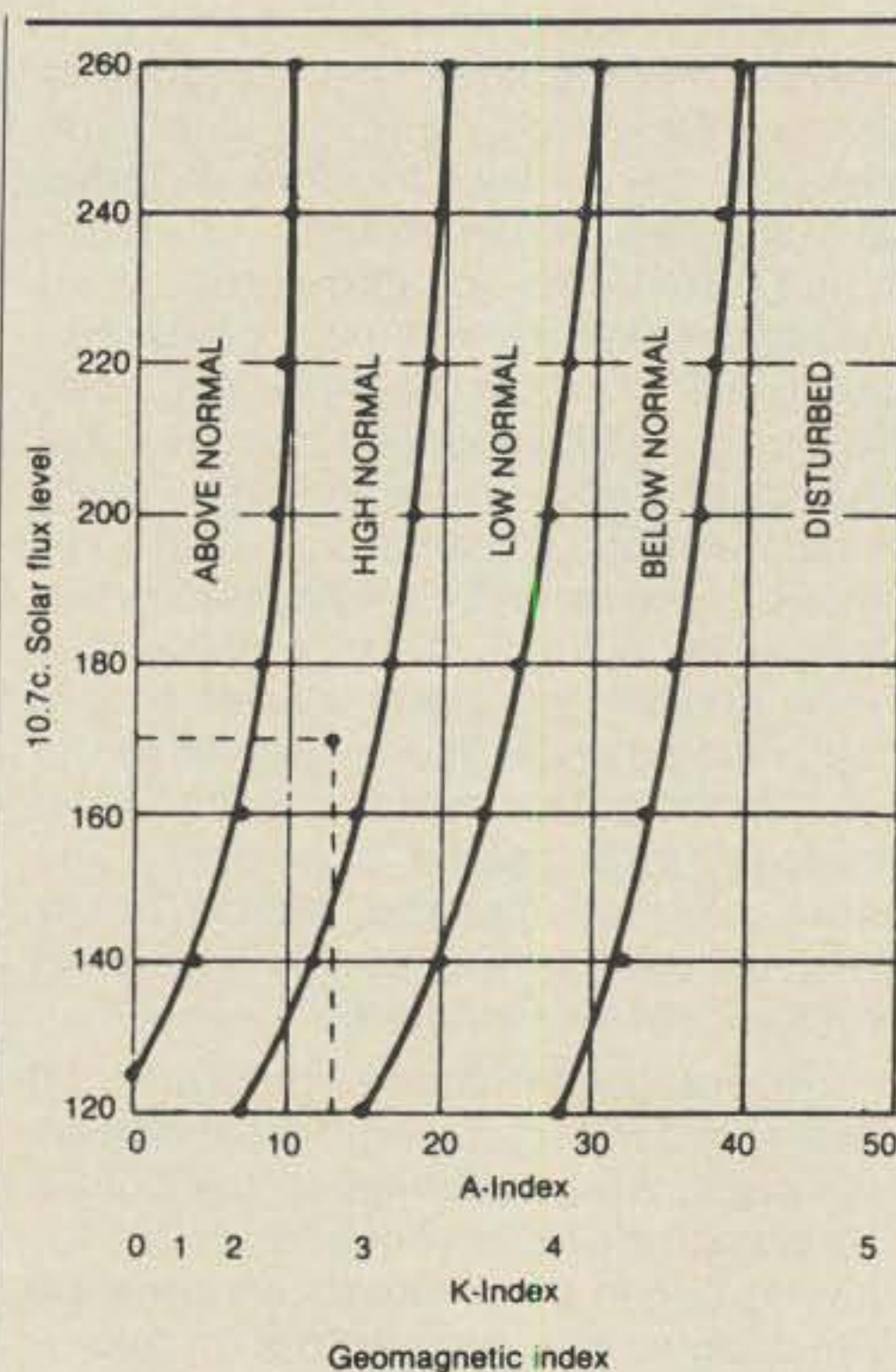


Fig. 1—Intersection of given values of solar flux and geomagnetic activity determine expected HF ionospheric propagation conditions. (Example: Solar flux is 170 and A-index is 13; expect High Normal condition.)

cific operating habits. Other versions of Table I for use during the contest can readily be developed from the CQFCST program. The program is available as shareware directly from Jack Baldwin at the following address, but be sure to provide an IBM-PC™ or clone-formatted disk, and IRCs for sufficient return postage: Jack Baldwin, VE7RG, 2423 W. Tucana St., Tucson, AZ 85745.

If you have a modem-equipped personal computer, you can obtain a wealth of updated daily summaries of solar and geophysical activity and a daily HF propagation summary and forecast (updated every six hours) directly from the NOAA Space Environmental Services Center (SESC) bulletin board in Boulder, Colorado. Information about a variety of other useful SESC services and products is also posted on the board.

The SESC bulletin board is in operation 24 hours each day. Modem-equipped PCs can access the system by dialing (303) 497-5000. Either 300 or 1200 baud can be used. Protocol is the standard 8-bit data word with one stop bit and no parity. There is no charge for the data that can be obtained from the SESC bulletin board, but the telephone call is not toll-free. This bulletin board can provide the most comprehensive real-time propagation data concerning solar and geomagnetic conditions available during the contest period.

Fig. 1 can be used with the updated values of geomagnetic activity (Ap or K figures) and the latest reading of solar flux available from SESC to determine real-time day-to-day conditions, in terms of Disturbed, Below Normal, Low Normal, High Normal, or Above Normal. If you do not have a modem-equipped computer, the latest geomagnetic and solar flux levels can be obtained from National Bureau of Standards Radio Station WWV broadcasts at 18 minutes past each hour. These broadcasts are transmitted simultaneously on 2.5, 5, 10, 15, and 20 MHz. They contain the latest available geomagnetic Ap and K figures, as well as the 10.7 cm solar flux level and a short-term forecast of expected conditions. The same information can be obtained at any time by calling (303) 497-3171 (collect calls will not be accepted).

Several good computer programs are available for supplementing band-opening predictions contained in the CQ DX Propagation Charts appearing on the following pages. A simple-to-use program requiring no special graphics or color is MINIPROP.2™. This program, for use with an IBM-PC or a clone, was written as shareware by Sheldon Shallon, W6EL, and produces a wealth of useful propagation data, including predictions for around-the-clock short- and long-path band openings between path terminals located anywhere in the world. The pro-

HOW TO USE THE DX PROPAGATION CHARTS

1. Use Chart appropriate to your transmitter location. The Eastern USA Chart can be used in the 1, 2, 3, 4, 8 KP4, KG4 and KV4 areas in the USA and adjacent call areas in Canada; the Central USA Chart in the 5, 9 and 0 areas; the Western USA Chart in the 6 and 7 areas, and with somewhat less accuracy in the KH6 and KL7 areas.

2. The predicted times of openings are found under the appropriate meter band column (10 through 80 Meters) for a particular DX region, as shown in the left hand column of the Charts. An * indicates the best time to listen for 160 meter openings.

3. The propagation index is the number that appears in () after the time of each predicted opening. The index indicates the number of days during the month on which the opening is expected to take place as follows:

- (4) Opening should occur on more than 22 days
- (3) Opening should occur between 14 and 22 days
- (2) Opening should occur between 7 and 13 days
- (1) Opening should occur on less than 7 days

Refer to the "Last Minute Forecast" at the beginning of this column for the actual dates on which an opening with a specific propagation index is likely to occur, and the signal quality that can be expected.

4. Time shown in the Charts are in the 24-hour system, where 00 is midnight, 12 is noon, 01 is 1 A.M., 13 is 1 P.M. etc. Appropriate standard time is used, not GMT. To convert to GMT, add to the times shown in the appropriate chart 8 hours in PST Zone, 7 hours in MST Zone, 6 hours in CST Zone, and 5 hours in EST Zone. For example, 13 hours in Washington, D.C. is 18 GMT. When it is 20 hours in Los Angeles, it is 04 GMT, etc.

5. The charts are based upon a transmitted power of 250 watts c.w., or 1 kw, p.e.p. on sideband, into a dipole antenna a quarter-wavelength above ground on 160 and 80 meters, and a half-wavelength above ground on 40 and 20 meters, and a wavelength above ground on 15 and 10 meters. For each 10 db gain above these reference levels, the propagation index will increase by one level for each 10dB loss, it will lower by one level.

6. Propagation data contained in the Charts has been prepared from basic data published by the Institute for Telecommunication Sciences of the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Boulder, Colorado, 80302.

October 15 - December 15, 1988 Time Zone: EST (24-hour time) EASTERN USA TO:

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Base(2) Systems also produces a program called MUFLOT™, which is designed for use with Commodore and Apple II computers. While not as comprehensive as BANDAID™, it can be used for band-opening predictions.

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Another excellent program which previously was only available for Commodore 64 and 128 owners, but which has recently also come out in an IBM-PC version, is the Super DX Edge™. In addition to calculating the MUF and great-circle bearings and distances between any two locations, the program gives a detailed graphical presentation of grayline conditions. It lets you see the shape and position of the grayline on keystroke command displayed on a high-resolution world map. At the same time you can see the area of the world in daylight and the part in darkness. If you do not have a computer, a slide-rule version of the DX Edge™ is available. This version calculates the grayline, but does not produce propagation band openings. For additional information and pricing data for both the Super DX Edge™ and the DX Edge™, write directly to Xantek, P.O. Box 834, Madison Square Station, New York, NY 10159.

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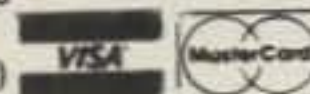
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If you do not already have a copy of the *Shortwave Propagation Handbook* by myself and Theodore J. Cohen, N4XX, then you might want to get one to read before the contest begins. Copies are still available from the CQ Book Shop, 76 North Broadway, Hicksville, NY 11801 for \$8.95 postpaid (plus \$2.00 shipping and handling).

Radio Storm

If Mother Nature should play a trick and produce a radio storm during the contest periods, expect conditions to drop to Below Normal or Disturbed to many areas of the world, depending on

the storm's severity. The storm's influence will generally extend outwards from the polar regions, the more severe the storm becomes. Under storm conditions, expect considerably fewer openings on 10, 15, and 20 meters, with weaker signals, increased fading, flutter fading, and higher noise levels. Paths passing through the polar regions and the upper latitudes are often more adversely affected than signals coming from mid and lower latitudes.

Conditions on 40, 80, and 160 meters are likely to become erratic as well. During certain types of storms, conditions may actually improve at times for openings on all bands towards southern and tropical areas, and on 40, 80, and 160 meters during the hours of darkness.

If a radio storm should develop, concentrate on working trans-polar paths on 10, 15, and 20 meters during the daylight hours. Check the 40, 80, and 160 meter bands for possible openings to some areas of the world during the hours of darkness.

VHF Ionospheric Propagation

October looks like a good month for ionospheric propagation on the VHF bands. The continuing high level of solar activity, along with seasonal changes in the ionosphere, should produce some fairly good DX openings on the 6 meter band during the daylight hours. The best times for such openings, and the areas of the world to which they may be possible, are shown in the accompanying DX Propagation Charts with a **. Generally speaking, openings from the eastern half of the country towards Europe and Africa may be possible before noon. The best chance for 6 meter openings towards the Caribbean and Central and South America from all areas of the USA should be from an hour or two after sunrise through the early afternoon. In the western half of the country look for openings towards the South Pacific, Australasia, and the Far East during the late afternoon hours.

Orionids, a major meteor shower, is expected to begin around October 20th and last for about two days. Expect as many as 25 meteors an hour to enter the earth's atmosphere during the peak of the shower. This should make possible some fairly good meteor-type ionospheric openings on the VHF bands.

There is usually a seasonal increase in auroral activity during October. This should result in an increased number of auroral-scatter-type openings on the VHF bands. There are also increased chances for short-skip sporadic-E propagation during periods of auroral activity, particularly on 10 and 6 meters. Check the Last Minute Forecast appearing at the beginning of this column for the days that are expected to be Below Normal or Disturbed. These are the days upon which auroral activity is most likely to occur during the month.

CW Contest Forecast

This month's DX Propagation Charts are valid for both the phone and CW sections of the contest. Be sure to keep them handy for use during next month's CW section as well. Short-Skip Propagation Charts for use during October appeared in last month's column.

Experience from the past 37 contest years has shown that DX Contests are excellent periods in which to test the accuracy of prediction and forecast methods used in this column. Contests generate a large amount of activity in every corner of the world and on all HF bands. Previous results and observations have helped considerably in improving the accuracy of this column. Comments concerning the 1988 contest and the accuracy of these forecasts and predictions would be appreciated, and should be sent directly to W3ASK at P.O. Box 1714, Silver Spring, MD 20902. *Good luck in the contest!*

73, George, W3ASK

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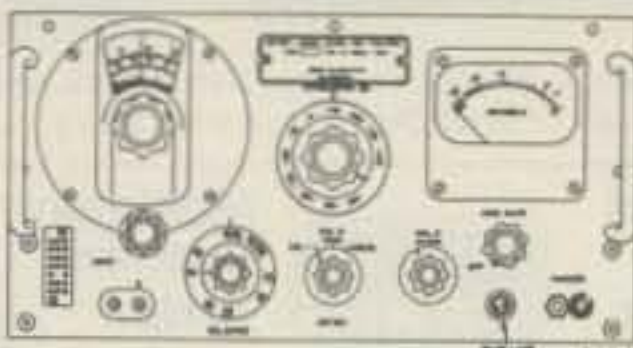
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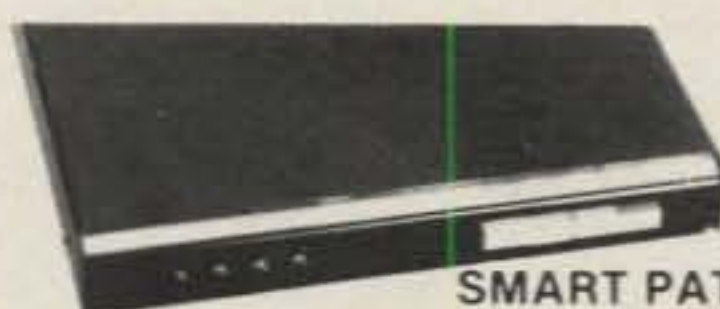
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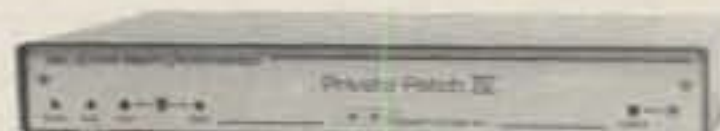
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A long time back we realized that DXers always like to talk about DX and DXing. They never tire of it. We were practicing our belief with one of the Locals recently when he asked, "Whatever happened to that fellow who would often proclaim 'DX Is!'? Frankly, I never did understand what he was talking about."

It is a truism that any DXer at all is naturally smart, and those on the Honor Roll are the smartest of all. The intelligence of a DXer can always be measured by DXCC country totals. But we were not too sure about ourselves and especially so when years back that Local had come trotting up the hill, bursting with self-assurance and overwhelming confidence, grandly advising us that he had come prepared—prepared to explain away the Eternal Enigmas of DXing, to sweep aside the veil of the Mysteries of the Ages, to analyze to the point of complete understanding the Mystique of DXing, and, in short, to explain everything that any DXer might want to know and to explain it simply and adequately. That Local came with the DX Word. We were most eager to learn it and more of the DX Truths. He was ready to talk.

Drawing himself up to his full height, that Local had proclaimed "DX Is!" and that was it, nothing else. It was not only it, but the Local was incredulous when we asked it to be explained. None was needed, he protested, the hint being that any DXer not understanding might be lacking some of the noble essentials of a DXer. When we intimated that there might be a few spots which needed clarification for us, we knew that we had failed. His expression spoke it. Hardly repressing his indignation with us for being "slow learners," he raised himself even an inch or so higher and piped up at us, "DX Is!" And that was all he would say. We have wondered and been haunted by his words ever since. What was it that we were missing?

"How have you been?" he inquired, perhaps a bit offhandedly, we thought. We were quick to say that we had not been well, thinking to ourselves that it had to be more an illness of the spirit than the body. This one always did do something to us. Never could we recall feeling good after one of his visits. Never have we been anything but confused, baffled, and frustrated. There are things in DXing that are hard to bear, and that Local was one of them.

"How are you doing with your understanding of the inner fabric of DXing?" he was bound to ask, and we were just as quick to admit that things had not been going well. To say anything also might be to invite an examination of our comprehension, and we were not prepared to debate the finer points of the mysteries and mystique of DX. "How about yourself?" we countered. "Learn anything new and interesting lately?" As long as we live we will regret



Ernest, 4S7EA, is one of the very active Sri Lanka stations. QRV all bands from 6 through 160 meters, including OSCAR 10, SSB, CW, RTTY, and AMTOR. (Photo via Jack, W2LZX)

asking that question. Obviously it was what he had been waiting for, he actually swelling up with pleasure before our eyes. He was ready to deliver.

"Just a little," he modestly advised us, looking up as he moved in even closer. "You will recall how years back 'DX Is!' opened the door to a better understanding by DXers. In recent years I have devoted myself to gaining a more fuller understanding of the DXer himself." We liked that "more fuller" terminology. Perhaps this one might even admit that he did not know everything, that there was yet more to be added to his vast knowledge. But all we could think was "Why us?" There was no ready answer.

"You must understand," that Local continued, "that the notion exists that DXing itself is but a manifestation of a DXer's painful struggle to cope with his own unconsciousness, specifically that side of his nature which drives him to seek a higher position on the DXCC ladder, higher than anyone else." We must have blinked, because while we understood the words, the thought escaped us. We could see the lip of that Local start to curl. "Certainly," he raced on, "you understand why any DXer, and especially those on the Honor Roll, are adamant in resisting any suggestion to drop the deleted countries from their overall count, right?"

Of course he was right. We did understand—understand at least that those on the Honor Roll generally are reluctant to lose any counting of their deleted countries. Having gotten us past that hurdle, that Local continued. "And this struggle, essential in the DXer's quest for dominance, is manifested to him in his DXCC total. And who can say that there is anything more important to a DXer than his total country

count, including the deleted ones? Who can?" We weakly admitted that we could not. It was a safe position and that Local continued.

"When interpreting the progress of a DXer," the Local added, "you must regard it all as part of a trinity. There is the initial step of gaining a license and an awareness of DXing. The second step is always the achievement of a DXCC and entry into the higher reaches of amateur radio. The third step, and the most difficult, is the Honor Roll. But the status and exaltation of the Honor Roll is not a matter of a fixed value. It is the totality of your Honor Roll standing, this including the deleted countries, which is the final criteria. You must not only have every currently valid country on the DXCC list, but you must also add in the deleted countries. The combined total is the important figure. Right!"

Of course he was right. This was understandable. A country is a precious commodity to a DXer, and once gained it lives forever. The accomplishment can not be deleted—never! We could easily understand this, but there were still the other statements to puzzle us. There was short time to wonder before that Local was off again.

"Always regard any DXer as one in transition," he continued, "in transit between the time and memory of his first license and his first DX contact and the top of the Honor Roll. Every DXer is in transit, but mostly he caught between these two poles. A DXer is condemned to struggle always to achieve his full DX potential. The journey is often long and not without pain, scars, and bruises. The DXer's psyche is always marked by pain, denial, and frustration. Some, caught in the clutches of disappointment, even resort to calling 'CQ DX' in an effort to maintain their desire to grow as a DXer. The plaintive call of repetitive 'CQ DX' springs from the half-life of the subconscious. They tend to believe that the failure to call 'CQ DX' signifies their relinquishing of DX hope and honor and a resignation of one's self to a life of DX denial. But they also know that the act of calling 'CQ DX' is counter to the DXer's Code, the end result being even more frustration and a lesser stature among other DXers." The Local paused to note whether we were following all of this, asking almost imperiously, "You do see the end result, certainly you must?"

What could we say? We just nodded our heads. Any other effort would have been disastrous. All we could think was that this had to end sometime. It just had to. That Local smiled.

"You surprise me," he conceded, "and you are definitely more knowledgeable than you were some years back. You can learn. Possibly just part of the natural development of a DXer, I presume." And with that he was gone, his mission apparently accomplished, he pausing for one last admonition. "Keep up the good work," he shouted. There was not even enough time to ask, "Which one?" We would like to know, even one, where he might consider us qualified for such effusive praise.

Long ago and in another decade far, far away we did learn that while a DXer might not actually know all the answers, the smart ones

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know where to find an answer when one is needed. But what might be the answer to all the Local had told us?

The Old Timer came pacing down the hill one bright morning, the ocean fog still in a layer over the East Bay. But it was clear and cool on our side. We were waiting for him, waiting to recount the thoughts and message of that Local. We wanted to hear what the Old Timer had to say about all of it.

As best we could, we recounted the things that Local had said to us. We anticipated some

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thought, discussion, and introspection. Maybe even some analysis from the Old Timer. We got hardly any of that at all. All he did was laugh at us!

Son of a gun! What were we to say? We could think of nothing, so we said nothing. But the Old Timer had something to say and he was primed.

"Look," he said, and there was neither sympathy nor understanding in the tone of his voice. "Do you DX for your own personal enjoyment or because you wish to sample the Joys of Ontology?" We understood the first part of his sentence but not the last. Maybe it was time for more confusion, but we quickly spoke. "For our own enjoyment. And because we get a lot of fun out of it. Isn't that right?"

It must have been, because the Old Timer moved on a bit. "So why do you listen to all that baffle-gab that the Local tells you?" the Old Timer demanded. "Why can't you just listen and forget? Would you be any worse off?" We had to admit that we would not. Possibly we might even feel better and worry less. We should have quit while we were ahead, but we had to ask questions.

But what about him saying that calling 'CQ DX' is a response to the demand of the half-life of one's subconscious? Haven't you said something like that over the years?" It was not a good question to ask.

"No, it is not!" the Old Timer growled. "I have long thought that calling 'CQ DX' is not only a waste of time, an illusion that rare DX stations might be listening for your call, but also poor utilization of spectrum. And I still say that no true-blue DXer does it."

Somehow we were getting the feeling that the Old Timer was not especially concerned about the Mysteries of the Ages, the Eternal Enigmas, or possibly even the Mystique of DXing. But we needed guidance. We had to ask the Old Timer just what should one do when full understanding is yet to come. But we also remembered that years back when many worried over their understanding of "DX Is!" he had given it hardly any attention at all.

"What should you do?" the Old Timer asked. "Forget them! Forget them and just

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work DX and enjoy yourself. Everything else is nothing. You are a DXer, not a worrier. And what benefit does it bring you? Nothing!"

This was hardly answering all our questions, but it did lift some of the pressure. But we could not forget that always there seems to be something to be explained, something to learn, and something to study. "Tell us," we said, "isn't there anything at all in DXing that puzzles you? Are there answers to everything and do you really know them all?" We thought that this question covered so much territory that we could hardly miss. We were right. There was something that puzzled the Old Timer.

"For a long time," the Old Timer said, "I have been mystified about some behavior of DXers. Possibly some may consider it only a matter of trifling importance, but since I have noted it so many times, I must wonder." The Old Timer paused, but he held our attention. If we could understand what he wondered about, perhaps we could understand other things. We waited and finally the Old Timer continued.



This is the group of SV DXers who put the Mt. Athos operation on a few months back. From the left you will note SV2QO, SV2WT, SV2UA, SV2TX, SV2UF, and SV2RE. The latter is Nick Georgiadis, President of the Radio Amateur Union of Northern Greece. Each operator signed his own call /SY. In 13 days this group made 22,848 QSOs.

"Have you ever wondered about the mature DXers? Those with the signs of maturity—the full figure and front veranda are the ones I am thinking of. Tell me, why do these obviously favor tight, knitted polo shirts when they emerge into the sunlight? Is there a reason?"

"You tell us," we demanded. "What is the reason?" All we got was a short laugh. "When you have the answer to that one, I will help you with the other questions," was all he would say. And all he left us with was the conviction that there were still some eternal mysteries to explain. But we decided that first we would tend to DXing and worry about the enigmas later—possibly in a couple of years or so.

Spratly

We are convinced that if you have the background information, you will be in a better position to understand when the subject is in the foreground. And Spratly will be back one of these days. Just don't ask when.

In the interim Arch Doty, K8CFU, sends along some information from the *Beijing Review* wherein mainland China seeks to protect its claim to the ancestral islands of Xisha and Nansha. They also refute the claims of Vietnam, noting that until 1974 that country had officially recognized the legitimacy of the People's Republic of China. It might be interesting to note the citations that mainland China offers to support its claims.

The article in the *Beijing Review* notes that the Nansha Islands (also known as the Spratlys) cover an area of 500 nautical miles north to south and 400 nautical miles east to west in the South China Sea and consist of more than 230 islands, reefs, beaches, and sand bars, more than 100 of which have been given names. Twenty islands rise above sea level, the largest being Taiping Island with an area of about a quarter square mile. The islands are considered to be significant economically and militarily—economically because of possible petroleum prospects, militarily because of their location on shipping routes.

China claims that the islands were discovered, developed, and administered as early as 200 B.C. during the Han Dynasty. There is a claim of Chinese population on the islands during the Tang and Song dynasties—from 618 to 1279 A.D., and in the Ming and Ching dynasties

from 1368 to 1911, putting the islands very definitely under Chinese administration. In 1930 France made a territorial claim, and in 1939 the Japanese occupied the islands as they worked into World War II. In 1946 at the end of the hostilities China claims they reclaimed the islands, though Taiwanese troops continue to be stationed on Taiping Island.

The *Beijing Review* notes that at a peace-treaty conference with Japan held in 1951 Andrei Gromyko stresses that the islands are "... China's inalienable territory." Also cited is the statement attributed to the vice-foreign minister of Vietnam (Democratic Republic of Vietnam) that the islands "are historically part of Chinese territory." The statement also acknowledged the claim dating back to the Song Dynasty.

In 1975 the Vietnamese government changed its mind on the matter and started claiming the Spratlys, producing revised maps of the area and sending troops to occupy and establish facilities on some islands. In 1988 it is reported that the Vietnam activity has intensified, they taking over nine islands and sending naval vessels into the area. This led to an armed clash on March 14th, China accusing Vietnam, in the *Beijing* article, of willfully provoking it.

The *Beijing Review* article states that it is well-known that since 1975 when Vietnam liberated the southern part of that country it has adopted an ambitious policy to expand its territory by invading Kampuchea, launching armed provocations along the China/Vietnam border, stepping up its occupation of the Spratlys and declaring itself "... the third-ranking military power in the world." The *Review* article concludes by promising that unless Vietnam changes "their aggressive and expansionist policy, ..." they will suffer.

What does all this mean to a DXer? You might note that when the Spratlys were first put on the air they were considered "unclaimed" territory, the first operation using the 1S call sign which was then and still has not been assigned by the ITU.

The second effort used the call 1S1A. A query at that time on the proper call sign brought the brusque reply "I don't give a damn what call sign they use as long as they can prove they were there."

There have been other efforts, not too many, one with unfortunate results. But it must be considered that if some country does manage to make permanent a claim to the islands, it would seem that the prior status of these islands—that anyone landing and proving they were there would be accepted as a valid operation—might be changed.

Maybe there will be a Spratly operation in the future, but don't count on there not being changes. Evidently, venturing into the area can be perilous. Also evident is the strengthening determination of some of the claimants to possibly seek a military solution to differences of opinion. It could be a long wait before you hear the Spratlys again, and the call could be something other than 1S prefix should anything develop.

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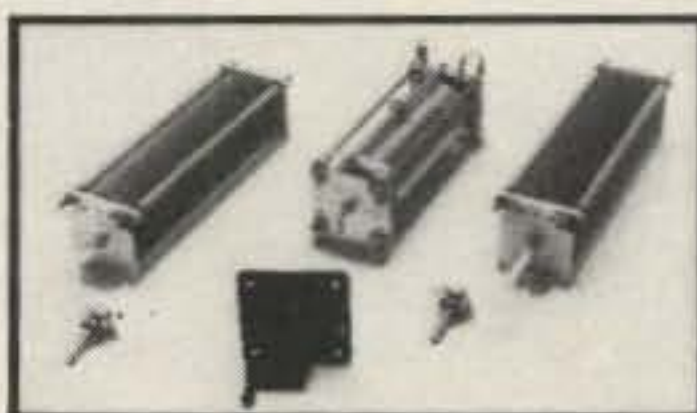
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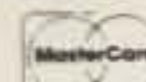
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3053	K2VV	2019	YT7DX	1549	IT9QDS	1272	N2CIC	958	W0JIE
2946	W2NC	2014	I6SF	1549	KL7AF	1269	K2OLG	944	G4OBK
2750	K6JG	2006	PY1APS	1541	W5PWG	1227	WB8ZRL	892	K9BQL
2661	VE3XN	1945	W9NUF	1467	DK5AD	1203	YU1GR	883	I2EAY
2659	YU2TW	1828	4X4FU	1458	W8UMR	1188	K7CU	872	W2XQ
2521	N4NO	1817	K9BG	1441	W6OUL	1179	I1EEW	869	I5ZTC
2502	K6XP	1809	IN3ANE	1436	I1POR	1153	N2AIF	835	OE1KJW
2462	W4BOY	1802	W0SFU	1429	K2POF	1147	JA6GWU	820	KA1BAZ/DV1
2416	W9DWO	1799	CT1LN	1428	YU2NA	1102	VE5FX	760	YU1PJ
2369	N6JV	1776	PY4OD	1415	G4FAM	1096	HA8XX	750	F1HWP
2355	N4MM	1736	IS0LYN	1414	SM0AJU	1083	DF6EX	750	K18B
2171	WA8YTM	1722	YU7SF	1373	YU2CQ	1080	WD9IIC	747	YU7RU
2159	YU7BPO	1701	I2UIY	1350	AC2J	1066	NE6I	729	W4WKO
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2131	I8YRK	1694	SM3EVR	1340	KA5W	1050	KS0Z	715	K6UXO
2128	N6CW	1675	N5TV	1333	W4UW	1044	I0AOF	714	KC7EM
2123	I2PJA	1659	HA0DU	1329	W7CB	1031	YU7DR	697	N3KR
2077	YU1AB	1631	N6AW	1309	YU2TY	1016	W9IL	648	IK2BHX
2058	PA0SNG	1565	N6JM	1279	SM6CST	1000	NV9S	600	RB5MP
2047	W1NG								

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2964	I0ZV	1717	I8YZP	1272	W2NC	1042	I2EOW	790	K9BQL
2609	K2VV	1681	WF4V	1257	KK0L	1034	W0ULU	781	IK2DUU
2506	ZL3NS	1656	I4CSP	1251	KL7AF	1029	KA5W	771	KE6KT
2457	K6JG	1656	CT1LN	1249	EA8AKN	1020	I8WYD	766	I0PSB
2406	K2POA	1632	NJ0C	1239	CT4UW	1010	K8LJG	755	IT9ONV
2354	CT1UA	1569	EA2IA	1213	K5RPC	997	HA8XX	750	F1HWP
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2238	I0AMU	1553	W1NG	1192	YU2NA	938	PY4OY	726	NE6I
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2007	I4ZSQ	1397	I2UIY	1152	I1EEW	857	CT1AHU	630	IK8GCS
2005	CT4NH	1393	AC2J	1144	IK5ACO	848	K3IXD	622	SM6CST
1915	N4NO	1387	XE1OX	1131	N6FX	825	LU1VK	618	CT1DIZ
1906	OZ53V	1350	N5TV	1129	N2AC	807	K8ZZU	611	HR1FC
1870	W4BOY	1305	I8KCI	1110	EA4KK	803	G4KHF	608	IK0EIM
1861	I8YRK	1305	EA3AQC	1100	PY4VX	800	I3ZSX	600	KB4HU
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1750	W9DWO								

CW

2688	W2NL	1762	I6SF	1224	N6FX	1011	AK9Z	753	I2EAY
2515	K2VV	1740	YU7SF	1220	K2POF	1010	KN7K	752	G4SSH
2356	WA2H2R	1729	LZ1XL	1151	SM6CST	1008	YU2CQ	743	NE6I
2347	N6JV	1709	EA2IA	1138	I2UIY	1005	T14SU	715	W2XQ
2199	N4NO	1622	I1YRL	1125	SM6DHU	1004	VE1ACK	711	JA2GCW
2193	ON4QX	1613	N4MM	1117	I7PXV	975	KA5W	709	W0JIE
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2029	W3ARK	1559	WA8YTM	1099	AK2H	967	SM5DAC	705	KA1CLV
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2004	VE7CNE	1519	PY4OD	1082	K8LJG	943	I8YRK	659	AC5K
1973	N6CW	1500	W9NUF	1077	W1WAI	920	AI6Z	651	G4UOL
1941	G2GM	1398	I2DMK	1038	SM0AJU	849	CT1LN	649	HA8XX
1927	K6XP	1365	KA7T	1034	I2IWM	849	G3VQO	639	KU0S
1926	W4BOY	1358	IT9VDQ	1026	F6HKD	821	KQ3S	622	LZ2VP
1851	N2AC	1350	N5TV	1023	DJ1YH	763	OE1KJW	609	IS0FIC
1779	OZ5EV	1292	W1NG	1018	W6OUL	760	OZ5UR	605	K7DBV

Guess what? After a few years of trying we got a bite.

Steve Dicks, W8YA, notes that age, like DX, is a relative thing. But though there has been a decade in between, Steve notes that he was on the Honor Roll in 1978 at the age of 31, though he doubts now that this would secure the title. But he points out that K5UR, Rich Roderick, down in Little Rock, is also on the Honor Roll, and he is currently in his mid-thirties, but that there must be someone even younger.

But we still have our hope that we will hear from a young member of the Honor Roll. A real

young one—say, 28 or so. It is hard to believe that all there is in DXing these days are old geezers, even though at times one might suspect so. There has to be a young and yet unsung youngster out there. Tell us about it!

We will acknowledge that we have a couple more in the good years of being thirtyish, among them N4JJ, and some almost there while yet in their twenties. A couple in Tennessee, WB4CSK and WA4DPU, are promising that as soon as some expected and needed QSLs show, they will be among the anointed and Deserving.

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Remember, we would like to know how old you are now. Yesterday was good but a memory. We are still listening to hear the youngest (now) on the Honor Roll.

Andorra

There will be a group from Finland in Andorra for the CQ World-Wide SSB DX Test the end of this October. The call sign will be C30W.

Before the test, which marks the beginning of the new DX season, the group will be working the low bands on CW. The contest operation will be a multi-single effort. Pentti Lareva, OH3TY, sends along the information, and if no QSL route is given, try the route via his QTH.

WAZ

The recent Soviet/Canadian transpolar effort has brought some questions on WAZ credit. Unless the operation was actually on one of the islands it is not acceptable. On the icepack a contact would be considered a maritime mobile contact. If on one of the islands in the Arctic Ocean, then figure it very easily—in that WAZ zone. Should you need more definite information, check the WAZ rules; Rule 2 covers mobile stations not being acceptable.

Isle of Man

Steve Muster, G4UOL, will be on the Isle of Man in November all primed for a lot of CW operation. Some months back Steve announced that he would be in Wales for the CW portion of the WPX Test. That was in May, and he was wondering aloud if Wales was really DX. He set out to find out if there would be any demand, and there was.

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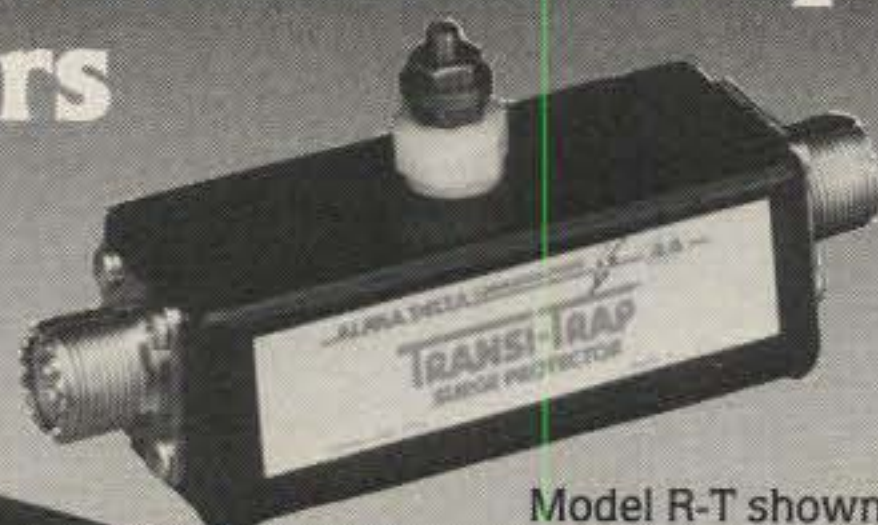
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using a makeshift antenna. The end-fed array was but 20 feet above the ground at the far end. Included in the totals were 71 JAs and 189 of the Deserving W/Ks. GW4UOL/A was the call sign, and 78 DXCC countries were worked.

Flushed with success and shouting, "Look out, Lloyd and Iris, I'm heading out again," Steve will be signing GD4UOL/A for 12 days in the last part of November and over the CQ WW CW DX Test on the last weekend of the month. Again, this will be a scientific DXpedition to determine whether the Isle of Man is really DX. The country has been on the DXCC Country List for half a century now, but the rumors persist. Steve intends to answer them once and for all.

Is this the end of Steve's research into the volatile values of DXing? Not at all. He is already making plans to test Guernsey in the coming year. Some may consider this micro-DXing, but it is a good possibility that his operation from Wales was a new country for some, almost a certainty for some JAs.

4F0JS—Malyj Vysotskij

This one showed early in July and was widely heralded as a new DXCC Country. The basis for the expectation was a letter written by Bob White, W1CW, back on November 17, 1970. At the time he was heading the ARRL DXCC desk. In answer to a query, Bob wrote, "... at such time as operation takes place ... we will make an official announcement of its addition to our Countries List." In the intervening years the matter has been on hold, mostly because of lack of any success in getting authority to operate.

Actually, it does seem that the matter had long been forgotten in downtown Newington. Bob White has long been retired, and Don Search, W3AZD, has been handling the chores for a decade now.

Subsequent to the letter and a good many years after the 1970 date of writing, the ARRL Board of Directors ordered new DXCC procedures, these including that the DXAC review all proposed new DXCC countries. To follow the mandated procedures OH2BH was asked to supply (1) the information submitted in 1970 that provided the basis for that earlier decision, and (2) any supporting information that would indicate that the status of Malyj Vysotskij Island was unchanged from the 1970 decision.

It is noted that the recently adopted Country Criteria that was enacted early this year might raise some questions. Criteria Point No. 3 speaks pointedly of separation by an intervening country. However, 3(a) covers separation by continental land separation, and 3(b) to insular or island separation. There is thought that Malyj Vysotskij presents a possible hybrid case with both separation by land mass as well as the Soviet islands.

Also under consideration is the matter of a previously accepted country where there has been no operation, and how it will be handled when the first operation occurs after the criteria used in the early decision has been changed.

The use of the 4J0 prefix for a Finnish operation has been a matter of discussion, this being a prefix assigned to the USSR by the ITU. Inasmuch as the question of Finnish sovereignty is an important question in the country status determination, the Soviet call sign did raise a question, and on July 5th, when learning of the call to be used, the ARRL raised that point. OH2BN replied on behalf of OH2BH, stating:



This is the crew that put Howland Island up for DXers at the end of March/early April. Second from the left is Jean-Louis, TR8JLD, then the unmistakable Cliff, NO1Z. With the blue caps are Jim Smith, VK9NS, and XYL Kristi, VK9NL. The one on the far left is believed to be Ron, N9CLS, he being the only one without a label on his cap. QSLs for NO1Z/KH1 go to Box 90, Norfolk Island.

"... the [appropriate] authority in Finland is playing an extremely cautious role in its dealing with the USSR but will authorize our operation. ... During his most recent visit to Moscow over the past weekend, your concern [over the call sign] was high on Martii's agenda. However, since 4J and 4K call signs are being used only for areas outside territorial USSR—with a USSR interest—e.g., in Antarctica and the Arctic, [we] see no reason to interpret the call sign as evidence of the sovereignty issue as such."

It was further added: "In the interpretation of the Finnish Telecommunications authorities, the OF-OJ call sign is reserved for use only within the Republic of Finland."

The matter was referred, as noted that the ARRL Board of Directors mandated that such questions be handled, and the answer may be with you now. It may still be under study when you read this. It might be noted that years back a country would not be considered for the DXCC Country List until there was an actual operation there. This has been modified so



Sometimes the question is asked as to what sort of cat writes a DX column. Here is EA1QF, Angel Padin Pazos, who writes the DX column for the Spanish edition of CQ. He is the one in the middle dressed in his working clothes. On the left is Juan Rosales, EA9IE, and on the right is Naama, S0RASD. EA1QF was hailed as Lynx of the Year at the Lynx Convention in Madrid

that a ruling can be obtained in advance, Peter I Island being an example.

Some DX Notes

Do you ever check the dates on your incoming QSL cards? For discussion's sake, what does 12/11/88 mean? Does it mean December 11 or does it mean November 12? The answer should be obvious, but sometimes it is not. Paolo Cortese, I2UIY, notes local practice might not be clear to others. He suggests writing it 12 November. Paolo has suffered with them all—transposed call letters, differing times due to local time differing from the usual time zone, even wrong number in his call sign. But all these are nothing to his working a needed country, asking for a CW contact after the SSB one, and then getting a single QSL with mode indicated as "SSB/CW." It really hurt.

Scotty Martin, W7SW, who recently was signing VK9YT, is enthusiastic about the facilities for DXing on Cocos-Keeling—an old school house with eight rooms, a 6-element beam on a 60 foot tower, and a 40 meter Delta Loop on a 75 foot tower. Along with VK9NKG, all 40 WAZ zones were worked and almost 200 DXCC countries. VK6YC is the one to contact if you think of Cocos-Keeling—Cres Thursby-Pelham, 107 Melvista Ave., Nedlands 6009, Western Australia.

The CQ WW DX Phone Test comes at the end of October, and if you are planning any type of DX effort, remember that it pays to advertise. Don't dare leave home without advising: *Inside DX* (436 No. Geneva St., Ithaca, NY 14850), *QRZ DX* (Box 832205, Richardson, TX 75083), *The DX Bulletin* (Box 50, Fulton, CA 95439), and *Long Skip* (Box 717 Station Q, Toronto, Ontario M4T 2N7). Also the W6TI broadcasts via W6RGG, 18655 Sheffield Rd., Castro Valley, CA 94549. And tell them early even if all the planning has not jelled.

The 1989 International DX Meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 22-24 again at the Holiday Inn in Visalia. SM3CXS has retired as SM0AGD's QSL Manager after handling over 200K QSLs. The cards from S9AGD were going into the mails in early July. The planned 4W0EA/Yemen effort ran into red-tape problems, and the initial dates were being pushed back—hopefully. Jim Smith, VK9NS, was in Central Kiribati the first part of July signing T31JS. WB2P is out early with the announcement he will be in the Caymans signing ZF2ML for the CQ WW SSB Test the last weekend in October. AI6V will also be out again signing P40V from Aruba in the test. *QRZ DX* reports that one of the monks on Mt. Athos holds the call sign SY2A.

The "Super DX Edge" is now available in a version that will operate on the IBM PCs, this including the XT and AT machines, and with IBM compatibles. The latest edition has advanced graphics and will give instant DX information on your computer. If interested, write to Tony Japha, N2UN, Xantek, Box 834, Madison Square Station, New York, NY 10159. Prepared with DX know-how, it can be a significant help. The program is also available for Commodore machines.

If you want more information on Pitcairn Island, Meralda Warren, VR6MW, currently a resident on the island, will supply a history of the island and its people in *A Guide To Pitcairn* for \$5.00, which includes postage. Also available is a cookbook, *A Taste of Pitcairn*, also for \$5.00 pp. Write to Meralda Warren, Pitcairn Island via New Zealand.

73, Cass, WA6AUD

QSL Information

HI8LC offers a free incoming QSL service for the Dominican Republic. Send your cards to: Luis P. Caamano, HI8LC, Box 88, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Luis holds 5BWAZ and 5BDXCC.

Dave Espasandin, KZ8Y, does not handle 4S7AVR/8Q7AV QSLs. Dave does handle 4S7NMR, 8Q7AZ from 1984, N8DCJ/8P6, and 8P6G '83-84 only.

In the recent ARRL CW DX Test C31IU was active. That call was held by K9MW from 1975 to 1983, and Mike has left that area and is now in the Netherlands, last operating in 1983. W8JAG has been getting QSLs for the recent activity on 160/80 and 40 meters. QSL route was given as W9FSS, a Silent Key since 1985. W8JAG can handle C31IU QSLs only to 1983. Anything later must be suspect.

All of the following appears with a lot of input from W9LNQ, a watcher of the lonely night.

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KC6TM to JA7AGO
N8DCJ/8P6 to KZ8Y
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RA0BB to RB5CB
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T31JS to VK9NS
T12LTA to F6FNU
TX9IPA to F1DGS
V07QF to WO1QF
V07XX to VE Buro
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VR6ID to KB6ISL
WA4ZEJ/JW to WA4ZEL
WY5L/KH3 to N5DAS

YY5R to YV5EFP
3A2EE to F9RM
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4S7NR to KZ8Y
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8P6G ('83-84) to KZ8Y
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A4XKP to Box 981, Muscat
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SM0AGD to Erik Sjolund, Ormbergsv 17, 19300 Sigtuna, Sweden
SV5TS to Box 251, CP 8100, Rhodes
YY5R to L. Rodolfo Ramirez J., Aptdo 4785, Caracas, ZP 1010A, Venezuela
4S7AVR to Noel Lokuge, 15/2 Balahenenmulla Lane, Colombo 6, Sri Lanka
8Q7AV to Noel Lokuge, 15/2 Balahenenmulla Lane, Colombo 6, Sri Lanka

DX Ten Years Back

In October 1978 DXers were still waiting for Desecheo, the new one, to show, but delays kept popping up. A Serrana Bank operation was planned for January, but the Colvins were headed out for the far places, the Caribbean, the Middle east, or East Africa being on the flexible itinerary. The Frankford Radio Club was headed for San Andres for the CQ WW CW DX Test in November, and WB2CHO was headed for Sierra Leone to visit 9L1CA and operate in the CQ WW Phone Test. WB2CHO these days might be more easily recognized as VP2ML and the *DX Bulletin*.

The CQ WW DX Phone Test had operations lined up from South Sudan (ST0ORK), from Navassa, St. Lucia, the Canary Islands, Kenya, Guernsey (GU5CIA), and 4U1UN was a new one still needed by some. The aforementioned Colvins were in Jamaica. ZLs were headed for Chatham.

LU3ZY was showing most evenings from the South Sandwich group, the Norwegians were talking Bouvet, and even Peter I Island was hoped for.

The Northern California DX Foundation shipped an FT-101 to Baghdad and was waiting to hear that the gear had been delivered. It had arrived, but the airline could not get anyone to take it off their hands.



How can you tell a DXer? Well, always they like to get together to eat and drink and tell of the glorious days of DXing that they know and the even better ones to come. And it is true whether they are DXers in Sao Paulo or Shanghai. Here is a regular meeting of the China Radio Assn., a dinner party, naturally. Everyone is smiling, even the two non-Locals in the background. DXers always enjoy the good times.

OH2BH and OH2BE were headed for the Madeira Islands for the WW DX Test, and the Clipperton DX Club was headed for St. Bartholomey Island to join the activity. Cycle 21 was still helping the Deserving. HB9ME had emerged into the daylight again after handling 19,298 QSLs for the 1978 Clipperton effort.

Slim was active. He was heard from Z5LL on Draeght Island. He also signed EI8H/GU, G3RCA/GU, and EI8H/HB0. He was on from EG3PT in the Middle East and as PY0JN on Trinidad, pausing to sign EI8H/HV1CN and YI1GD from Iraq. The repetitious use of the EI8H call eventually helped identify this Slim as a European amateur with a grudge against the holder of that call sign.

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Special Report: FCC Reallocates the 220-222 MHz Segment

The fight to save all 5 MHz of the amateur 220 MHz band has been going on for nearly ten years now. The issue came to a head, however, when the FCC proposed reallocating the top 2 MHz (220-222) of the 220-225 MHz amateur band to business use on February 2, 1987. Prior to the 1979 World Administrative Radio Conference, the 220-225 MHz band was primarily allocated to the government Radiolocation Service, and amateurs were allowed access to the band on a secondary basis.

WARC-79 provided for the phasing out of radiolocation operation in this band, and 220-225 MHz became a prime candidate for reallocation. The FCC and NTIA (which gets involved in government frequency matters) said that they would allow the amateur service to use the 220-225 MHz band on a temporary basis until a decision could be made regarding permanent allocations. The handwriting was on the wall when a joint FCC/NTIA planning group recommended that a portion of the 216-225 MHz band be designated for narrowband land mobile operations on a shared basis between government and nongovernment users. The FCC received three petitions from industry requesting that these recommendations be implemented. Aided by skilled professional legislative lobbyists, the ARRL mounted a fierce campaign to retain the band for amateur use.

FCC Reallocates The 220 MHz Band

We were at the Thursday morning (August 4th) Commissioners meeting when the FCC ruled on the permanent frequency allocation of the 220 MHz VHF band. While the Amateur Service is naturally primarily concerned with the 220-225 MHz portion to which they have had long temporary access, the portion of the spectrum ruled on by the FCC extended from 216 to 225 MHz.

The bottom line is that the FCC followed through without deviation on their original proposal (NPRM, General Docket No. 87-14, February 2, 1987) and divid-

ed up the band three ways. The Commission:

1. maintained the Maritime Mobile allocation in the 216-220 MHz band;
2. allocated the 220-222 MHz band to the Private Land Mobile Service; and
3. allocated the 222-225 MHz band to the Amateur Radio Service for exclusive use.

The August 4th FCC Meeting

The matter was presented to the Commissioners by Julius Knapp, Chief of the Frequency Allocations Branch of the FCC's Office of Engineering and Technology. The following is the text of Knapp's presentation to the FCC.

"Good morning, Mr. Chairman and Commissioners. The item before you is a Report and Order bringing to resolution a very difficult and long standing allocation issue in the 220-225 MHz band. The 1979 WARC allocated this band internationally to Fixed, Mobile, Radiolocation and Amateur Services on a co-primary basis. The Radiolocation Service will become secondary on January 1, 1990, and no new stations may be authorized. The 220-225 MHz band had previously been allocated in the United States to the federal government on a primary basis for radiolocation and to the Amateur Service on a secondary basis.

"In 1984, the Commission conformed the United States allocation of this band to the international allocation. However, implementation of the fixed and mobile services was deferred until a further proceeding could be initiated to determine precisely how the band would be shared among the various services and between federal government and public users.

"The proposal in this proceeding was initiated to resolve these sharing issues. The proposal intended to balance a variety of factors. The Commission had received petitions seeking to implement narrowband land mobile systems in this region of the spectrum. Petitioners argued that existing provisions for narrowband land mobile systems are severely restricted due to the need to protect against interference to existing systems. The petitioners maintained that a dedicated band of frequencies was necessary for this technology to have a reason-

able opportunity to gain acceptance in the marketplace.

"The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) also stated that the federal government had requirements for narrowband land mobile systems in this band. At the same time, the Commission was concerned about minimizing the impact on amateurs. The proposal noted that amateur use of this band is considerably lower than other amateur bands, and that most such use was congregated above 222 MHz. Taking these factors into account, the Commission proposed to allocate the 220-222 MHz band for narrowband land mobile service, and the 222-225 [portion] exclusively to the Amateur Service. No allocation was proposed for the fixed service, because existing allocations elsewhere in the spectrum appeared adequate.

"In general, the land mobile community supported the proposal. For example, UPS [United Parcel Service] indicated that it will seek to develop a state-of-the-art [package] delivery system using narrowband equipment in the 220 MHz band. The land mobile community generally agreed that dedicated spectrum is required initially for this technology. On the other hand, amateurs strongly opposed the proposal. They raised a number of concerns including the impact on existing users, the impact on emergency communications, and the need to provide for future growth of the Amateur Service.

"Upon careful review of all of the information that has been submitted, the staff believes that the proposed allocations are in the public interest. It appears that there is ample space to reaccommodate current users of the 220-225 MHz segment in the 222-225 MHz segment. Further, numerous other amateur bands are available, and the loss of the 2 MHz represents less than a 2 percent reduction in amateur spectrum.

"With regard to emergency communications, several hundred channels will remain available in the most useful parts of the spectrum. This should meet the local area communication requirements of any emergency or natural disaster. The item seeks to assure the amateur community that the Commission continues to strongly support the Amateur Service. Amateurs have a long and out-

standing record of service to the public, and have on countless occasions provided communications in emergencies.

"We are hopeful that by adopting an exclusive, private allocation of 3 MHz for the Amateur Service, we will remove the cloud that has hung over this band for many years. This should lead to increased use of the band by amateurs. This proceeding addresses only the allocation of the spectrum. Subsequent proceedings will address the necessary service rules for the new land mobile allocation, and modifications to the amateur rules. In light of these considerations, the staff recommends adoption of this Report and Order." (end quote)

FCC Commissioner James Quello: "It's a tough item. I've been a long time supporter of the Amateur Service. We recognize that they have an outstanding record. It's a well-disciplined service, and I hope that they have enough spectrum. I hope that we are allocating spectrum to a service and not to a technology. Do you have any comments on that?"

FCC Chief Engineer Tom Stanley: "The 220-220 MHz band is being allocated to the Private Land Mobile Radio Services in Part 90. Narrowband technology is to be applied, but the allocation is to a service and not to a technology."

FCC Chairman Dennis Patrick: "I agree with Commissioner Quello that this is a tough item, a difficult decision in many

ways. We've studied the various arguments and concerns that were expressed on both sides of the question for quite a number of months. I take some solace in the fact that the amateur community has been on notice for quite some time of the possibility of the reallocation of this spectrum. The amateur community will now have exclusive use of the 3 MHz here that is being divided, and this represents less than 2 percent of the spectrum available to amateurs.

"All that being said, it's still a tough decision, . . . as spectrum allocation decisions always are. The amateurs continue to provide very valuable services to the American people in emergency situations, and with respect to training radio operators. But we also have continuing critical and pressing needs in the land mobile area, and we want to promote spectral efficiency. We make some strides forward in that regard in this decision. So, all in all, I'm confident that this is the correct decision, . . . though not an easy decision."

After Meeting Press Conference

A press conference was held after the Commissioner's meeting and a press release issued. The Commission said a variety of factors were considered in making the allocations, including the need to provide for narrowband land mobile oper-

ations, the impact on amateur use of the 220-225 MHz band, and the potential interference to TV broadcasting, . . . as well as the actions taken in the 1979 World Administrative Radio Conference (WARC). It was also pointed out that as a result of the 1979 WARC, amateurs received several new frequency allocations.

The FCC said they felt "the public interest would be best served by providing dedicated spectrum for the development of narrowband spectrum efficient land mobile technologies, if such technologies are to have a reasonable opportunity for acceptance in the market place. As compared to conventional land mobile technology, narrowband technology may provide a three- to four-fold increase in the number of channels that can be made available in the given amount of spectrum." The Commission noted that "promoting narrowband technology for the Land Mobile Service is consistent with the directive of the Communications Act to encourage the provision of new technologies and services to the public.

In considering an allocation for narrowband Land Mobile Service in the 220 MHz region, the Commission noted two constraints that precluded operation in the 216-220 MHz band. "The first constraint is that land mobile operation in the 216-220 MHz band would be impractical due to the need to provide adequate protection to TV channel 13 broadcast oper-

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ation located in adjacent spectrum at 210-216 MHz. The second is the Commission's decision not to restrain the development of Automated Maritime Telecommunications Systems (AMTS) being developed in the Maritime Mobile Service in the 216-220 MHz band. Consequently, after careful consideration of a variety of alternatives, the Commission found that reallocation of this band to the Land Mobile Service to be shared by government and non-government users is supported by the NTIA.

With respect to amateurs, the Commission believes that, "they will benefit from an exclusive allocation of the 222-225 MHz band." The Commission noted that "several other frequency bands are available for amateur service. In particular, amateur bands at 28-29.7 MHz, 50-54 MHz, 144-148 MHz, 222-225 MHz, 420-450 MHz, 902-928 MHz and 1240-1300 MHz support amateur operations similar to the 220-222 MHz band."

"Several hundred channels will remain available for amateurs to use for emergency communications, which should meet the local area communication requirements of any emergency or natural disaster." Taking these factors, along with others, into consideration, the Commission found reallocation of the 220-222 MHz band to be in the public interest.

The Commission reiterated its contin-

ued support for the Amateur Service. The FCC said it recognizes that "amateurs have a long history of public service and of providing assistance in emergencies, including national and international disasters. Further, amateurs are a vital resource of persons knowledgeable in the radio art and have had a long history of contributions to the advance of radio science. The 3 MHz allocated to amateurs on an exclusive basis in this proceeding, together with the many other amateur bands, should continue to provide adequately for this service."

The FCC said that amateur use of the 220-225 MHz band could continue pending "a new proceeding [that] would be initiated to develop procedural and technical rules for licensing Private Land Mobile operations in the 220-222 MHz band."

"However, since the 220-222 MHz band is to be shared between government and non-government users, the development of coordination procedures is needed," the Commission stated. "Consequently, neither government nor non-government users will be allowed access to the 220-225 MHz band until the Commission has adopted final service rules."

No effective date for amateur operation to end in the 220-222 segment has been decided on, but January 1, 1990 appears logical since it was the date mentioned in the NPRM. "Amateurs are ad-

vised to begin an orderly transition of ongoing operations in the 220-222 MHz band to other amateur service frequency bands in order to avoid an abrupt termination of such activities."

Questions Asked of FCC Chief Engineer Tom Stanley

W5YI Report: "When Commissioner Quello asked about allocating spectrum not to a technology but to a service, what did he have in mind?"

Stanley: "People have asked in the past, 'Well, you're just allocating this spectrum to ACSB (amplitude compared sideband), aren't you?' The answer is no. We are allocating to Part 90 *Land Mobile* services. ACSB is one narrow-band technology but certainly not the only one."

W5YI Report: "The FCC appears to have considered the 220-222 portion of the band to be under-utilized by amateurs. Now that all the comments have been received and the study has been done, is the Commission still sticking to its feeling that it was under-utilized?"

Stanley: "Correct. Use is a relative thing, and light use is even more relative. We still feel that the band is lightly used, and that the current users of that band can be accommodated in the 3 MHz above 222."

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Stanley: "I presume that whatever is needed, more work would have to be done to identify whatever changes would be required. I don't know that the amateur rules specifically would be up for change, but I presume so."

Response By The ARRL

The American Radio Relay League, who had led the fight to keep the 220-225 MHz band intact for the Amateur Radio Service, was most unhappy with the FCC decision to reallocate 220-222 to the Private Land Mobile Service. The ARRL, who vowed to continue to fight on, issued the following press release at noon on August 4th. Apparently they anticipated the result and had it all set to go.

"In the face of overwhelming public opposition, the Federal Communications Commission today adopted its own proposal to reallocate the 220-222 MHz frequency band from the Amateur Service to private land mobile use.

"The reallocation, proposed by the FCC 18 months ago to address what it said were critical land mobile needs and a desire to promote spectrum-efficient technology, attracted strong criticism

from the nation's 435,000 radio amateurs and the many public-safety and disaster-relief organizations who rely on amateurs in communications emergencies. The thoughtful protests of many thousands of citizens became a part of the official record of the proceeding. Dozens of Congressmen expressed their own opposition to the Commission, as did the Department of Defense, on its own behalf and that of the National Communications System.

"Yet it was not until United Parcel Service filed comments, six months late, that a significant user of the proposed new land mobile band went on record as desiring the reallocation. Despite the clear testimony that the original proposal was not in the public interest, the Commission's action appears to be identical to its first proposal without reflecting any additional understanding of Amateur Service needs. In its presentation of the item for Commission consideration, the staff of the FCC Office of Engineering and Technology stated that the reallocation represented just 2 percent of the presently available amateur spectrum, a figure that was echoed by Chairman Dennis Patrick.

"We're shocked and disappointed at the Commission's action," said Larry Price, President of the American Radio Relay League, the primary spokesman for amateur radio in the United States. "The 2 percent figure has no basis in fact.

As we've pointed out throughout the proceeding, the 2 MHz the Commission is intent on taking away from the Amateur Service represents more than 15 percent of our international primary allocations between 30 and 24,000 MHz.

"FCC tried to soften the blow by saying that the remaining 3 MHz would be available to amateurs on an exclusive basis, and by expressing its continued strong support for the Amateur Service. 'It's nice that the Commissioners want to be seen as supporters of amateur radio, but actions speak louder than words,' observed ARRL Executive Vice President David Sumner [K1ZZ]. The notion that existing amateur operations below 222 MHz can all be reaccommodated in the remaining 3 MHz is fanciful, and not supported by the public record. On the other hand, the spectrum efficiency of narrow-band land mobile technology has been seriously challenged in engineering circles and may in fact be illusory. About all that can be said for the Commission's action is that it provides a fertile field for arguments in support of reconsideration or reversal."

"We've lost a battle, but not the war," ARRL President Price commented. "The League will continue to pursue every available administrative, judicial, and legislative remedy to ensure that radio amateurs have access to the spectrum they need to serve the public."



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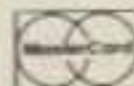
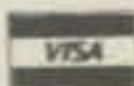
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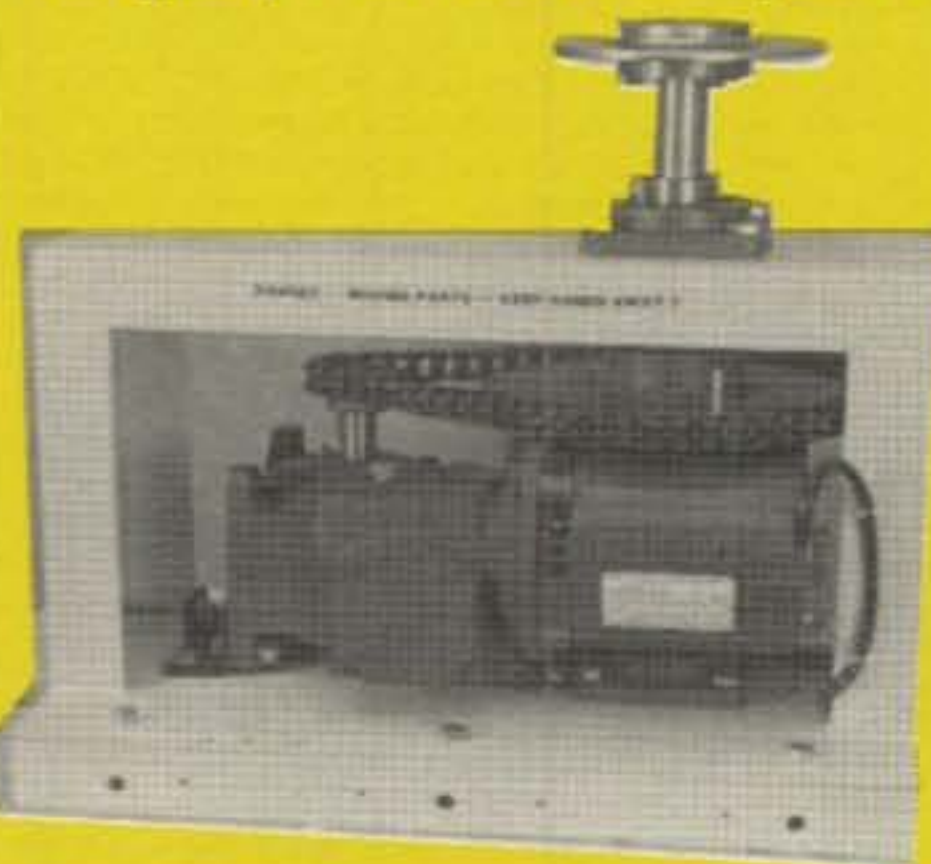
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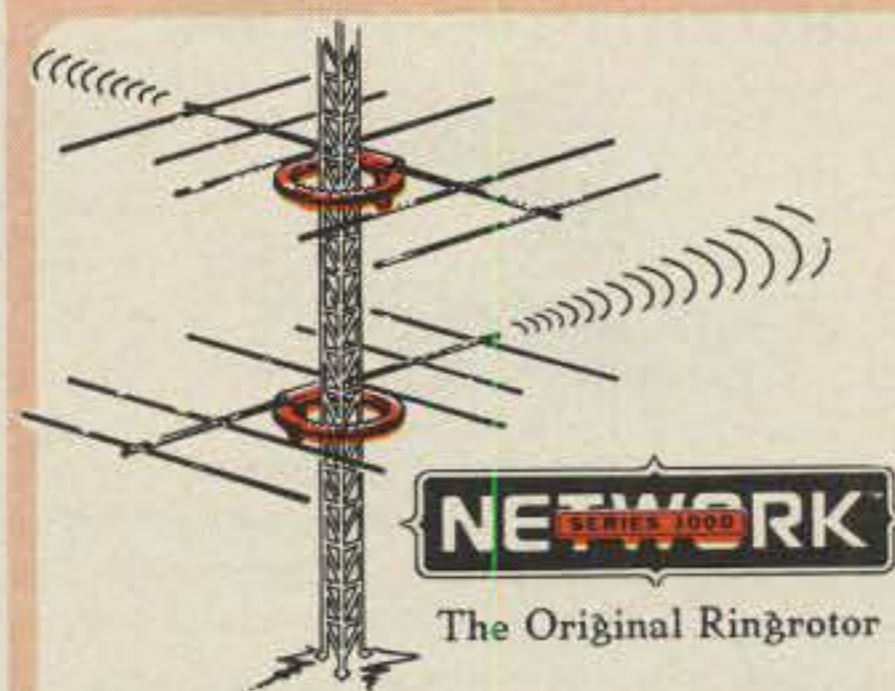
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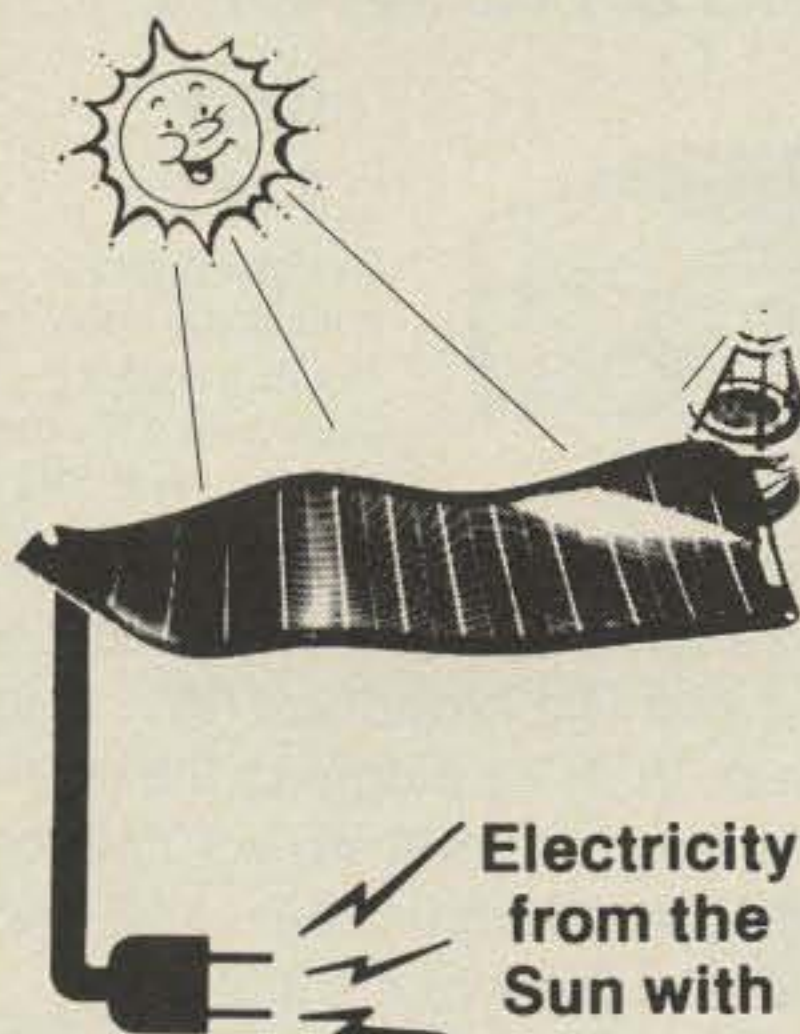


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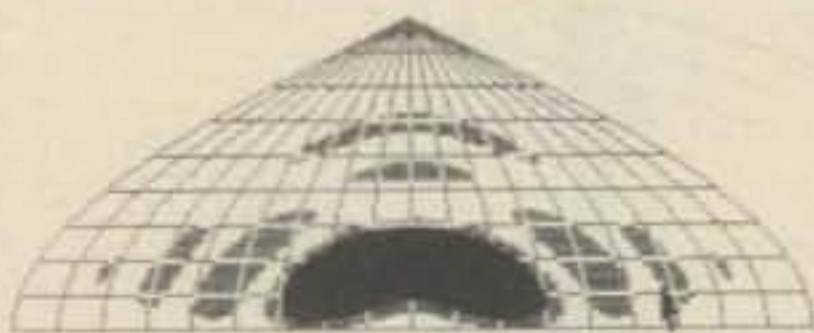
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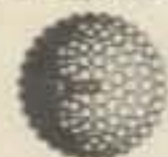
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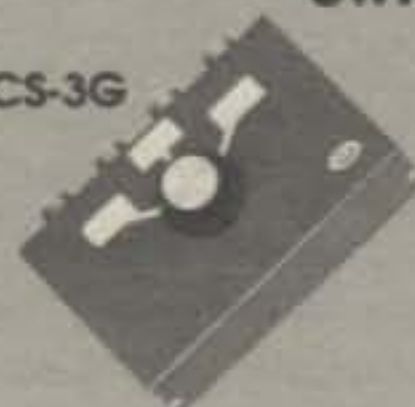
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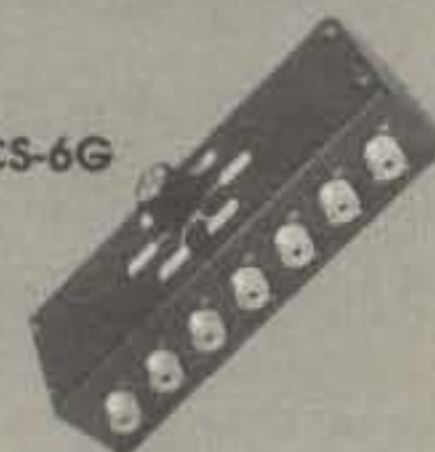


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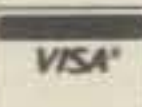
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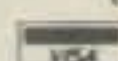
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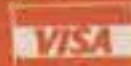
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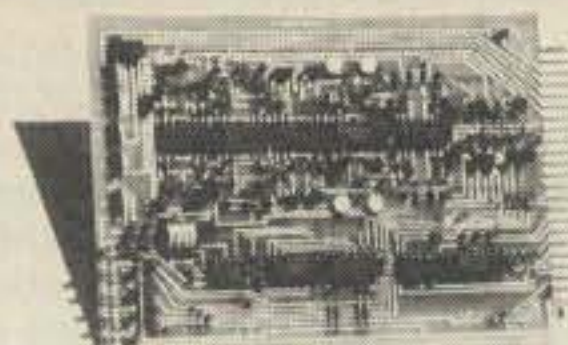
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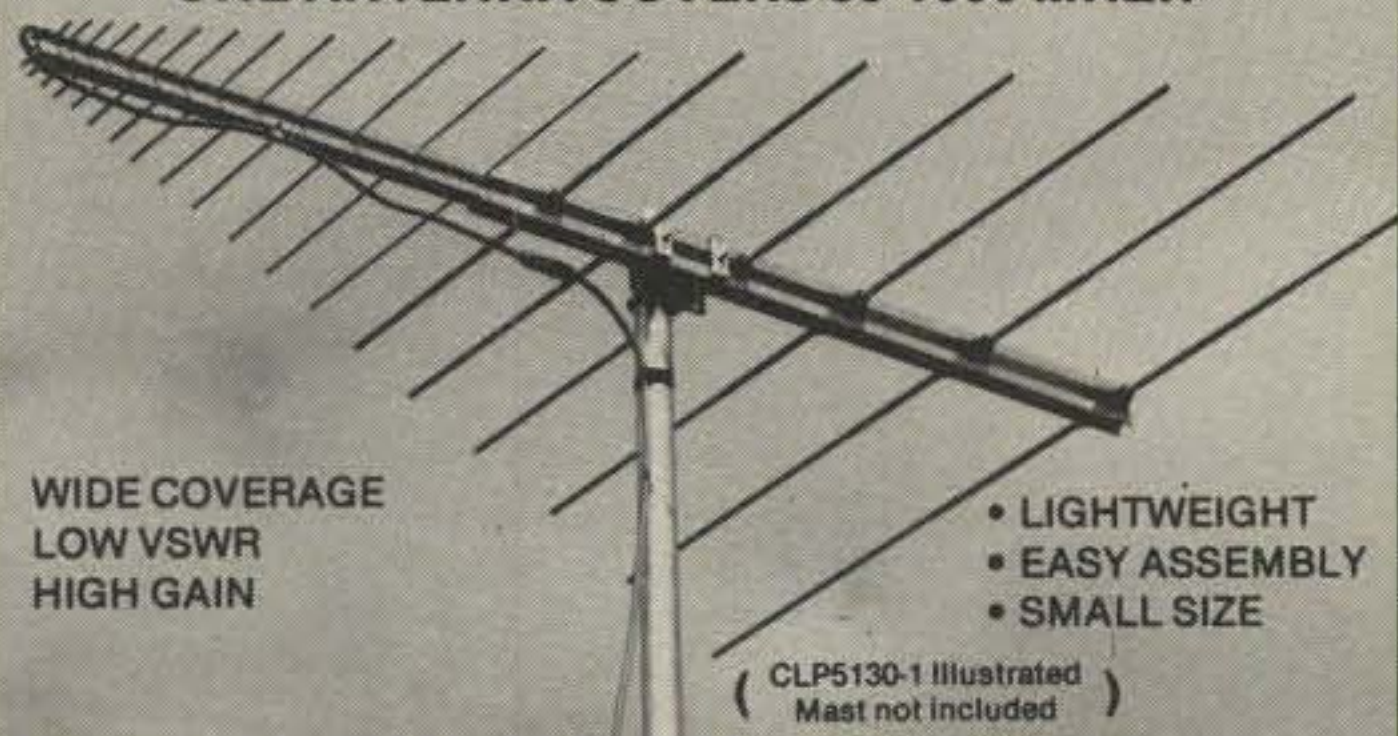
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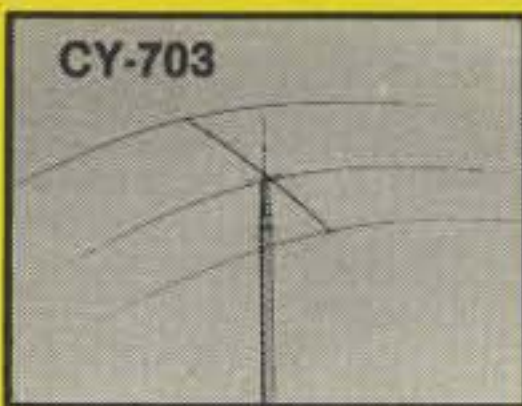


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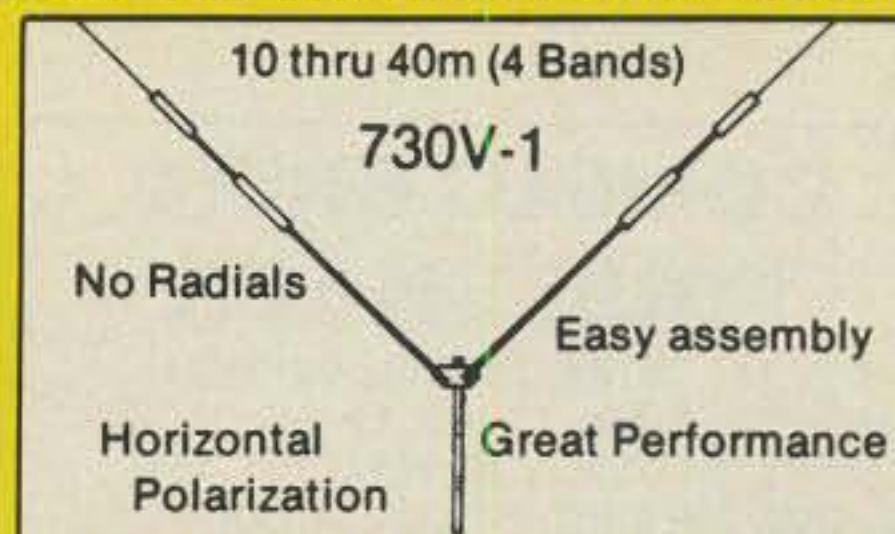
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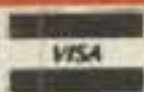
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